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ACT OF INCORPORATION.

Resolution Incorporating the General Convention of the Baptist Churches in the State of Connecticut and Vicinity — Passed May, 1824.

Resolved by this Assembly:—That Asa Wilcox, Jonathan Goodwin, Augustus Bolles, Joseph B. Gilbert, Robert Francis, Elisha Cushman, Roswell Burrows, Oliver Wilson, John Turney, Jeremiah Brown, Claudius L. Collins, Rufus Babcock, Wm. H. Manning, and Wm. Quiner, and their associates, be, and they are hereby made and constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of the *General Convention of the Baptist Churches of Connecticut and Vicinity*, and by that name they and their successors shall and may have perpetual succession; shall be capable of suing and being sued, plead and being impleaded, in all suits of what nature soever, may have a common seal, and the same alter or change at pleasure; and may also have, purchase, receive, hold, and convey away estate, real, personal, or mixed, the annual income of which shall not exceed three thousand dollars. *Provided* that said income, whatever may be the amount thereof, be annually expended and appropriated to the purposes designated in said petition.

Said Convention may from time to time, elect a president and such other officers and agents as they may find necessary or convenient; may make by-laws respecting the number, qualifications, and duties of their officers and members, prescribe the mode of election, and admission of members, the time, place, and manner of holding their meetings; the number necessary to form a quorum, and all other by-laws and regulations the said Convention may deem necessary for the government and due regulation of its concerns, to promote and secure the essential objects of said Convention as expressed in their constitution, not repugnant to the laws of this State or of the United States.

The first meeting of said Convention shall be holden at the Baptist Meeting House in the city of Middletown, in the county of Middlesex, on the second Wednesday of June, A. D. 1824, at nine o'clock in the forenoon.

This act of incorporation, or any part thereof, may be altered, amended, or repealed, at the pleasure of the General Assembly.

Resolved by this Assembly:— That said corporation be hereafter called and known by the name of "*The Connecticut Baptist Convention.*"

Resolve in Alteration, Passed June 15, 1899.

Resolved by this Assembly: — That the corporation known by the name of The Connecticut Baptist Convention, duly incorporated by the General Assembly of this state, May session, 1824, may hereafter have, purchase, receive, hold, and convey estate, real, personal, or mixed, the annual income of which shall not exceed twenty-five thousand dollars.

CONSTITUTION OF CONVENTION.

ARTICLE I. The name of this body shall be THE CONNECTICUT BAPTIST CONVENTION.

ARTICLE II. The object of this Convention shall be to promote the preaching of the Gospel, and the organization and maintenance of Baptist Churches and Sunday-schools in the State of Connecticut.

ARTICLE III. This Convention shall consist of delegates from the Baptist Churches in Connecticut, of the same faith and order as the present associated Baptist Churches. Each of such churches as shall have contributed to the funds of the Convention during the year last preceding the annual meeting, may be represented by its pastor and one delegate for every one hundred and fraction of one hundred resident members, provided that no church shall be entitled to more than five delegates besides its pastor. Every church having one or more schools connected therewith may elect and send an additional delegate to represent each such school.

ARTICLE IV. The officers of the Convention shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, and Auditor; all of whom shall be elected annually by ballot, and whose duties shall be specified in by-laws adopted by the Convention.

ARTICLE V. There shall be a Board of Trustees, not exceeding thirty-nine (39) in number, one-third of whom, after the first election, shall be chosen annually by ballot. At the first election they shall be chosen in classes of one, two, and three years. At least one-third of the trustees shall be laymen. The Trustees, together with the officers of the Convention, shall constitute a Board of Management, in which shall be vested all the privileges and authority of the Convention when the Convention is not in session. The duties of the Board of Trustees shall be specified in by-laws adopted by the Convention.

ARTICLE VI. The Constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of all the delegates present at any annual meeting, after one year's previous notice.

BY-LAWS FOR GOVERNMENT OF THE MEETINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

1. The Convention shall meet on Tuesday preceding the third Wednesday in October, at 10 o'clock A.M., and the morning shall be devoted to the transaction of business in the following order:

1. Calling to order.
2. Reading of the Scriptures and Prayer.
3. Address of the President.
4. Calling Roll of Delegates.

5. Report of Trustees.
6. Report of Treasurer.
7. Election of Officers.

Tuesday afternoon and evening shall be devoted to the mission work of the Convention. Reports shall be heard from the Superintendent of Missions, from the Committee on the State of the Churches, and from the Committee on Sunday-schools, together with addresses upon these interests. The annual sermon, if any be provided, shall be preached at such hour as Committee of Arrangements shall decide. Wednesday morning the Connecticut Baptist Education Society will hold its annual session. Wednesday afternoon shall be devoted to reports of committees and to miscellaneous business.

2. The President shall appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered. Standing committees shall be appointed as follows: (1) On Arrangements for Next Year. (2) On Sunday-Schools. (3) On Obituaries. (4) On New Churches. (5) On Temperance. (6) On State of the Churches. (7) On Home and Foreign Mission Work; and such other committees as may be deemed necessary or expedient.

3. The Committee of Arrangements shall endeavor to provide that the meetings of the Woman's Missionary Societies may not be held during the hours the Convention is in session. The annual reports of their meetings may be read in open meetings of the Convention, and by the vote of the Convention may be spread upon the minutes.

4. No objects other than those provided for by the Constitution shall be presented at the annual meeting, unless by the unanimous consent of the Convention.

5. The proceedings of the Convention shall be regulated by the ordinary rules governing deliberate assemblies.

6. The minutes shall be read and approved before the adjournment of the Convention.

BY-LAWS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

1. The Board of Trustees shall hold three meetings during the year; one immediately after the session of the Convention, one in the month of April, and one on the day preceding the next meeting of the Convention. Other meetings may be called by the Secretary at the request of the President, or five members of the Board.

2. The President of the Convention shall preside at all meetings of the Board; in his absence the First Vice-President shall preside; in the absence of President and First Vice-President, the Second Vice-President shall preside; and in the absence of all three the Board shall choose a President *pro tem.* The Secretary shall be *ex officio* Secretary of the Board.

3. At the first meeting of the Board each year, it shall elect from its members an Executive Committee of fifteen (15), including the President, the two Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, Secretary, and Auditor. It

shall also appoint a Finance Committee of three. It may appoint other committees if deemed expedient.

4. At a meeting of the Board in October, the Board of Trustees may appoint a Superintendent of Missions, who shall have the general oversight of the work of the Convention under the direction of the Board or of its Executive Committee. The salary of the Superintendent shall be fixed by the Board, and his year of service shall be from the time of his appointment till the next subsequent meeting of the Convention.

5. The Board may, at any of its regular meetings, appoint such missionary or missionaries, for evangelistic work within the state, and for such terms of service as it may deem expedient.

6. The Board shall have power to provide means for raising funds for the Convention; also to dispose of said funds according to the provisions of the Charter and the Constitution.

7. The Board of Trustees, immediately after the adjournment of the Convention, shall, through its Secretary, send to each church and pastor in the state, a printed circular, setting forth the number of missionaries appointed by the Convention, the amount of money required to meet the yearly expenditure, together with the approximate amount each church should contribute.

8. All appropriations in aid of churches and for payment of missionaries shall be made by the Board in accordance with the regulations laid down in the by-laws.

9. The Board shall make report of all its transactions to the Convention at its annual meeting.

The Executive Committee.

1. The Executive Committee shall meet at least four times during the year in the months of October, January, April, and July, and at any other time at the call of the President and Secretary. They shall consider and report upon all applications for aid. When the Board is not in session its authority shall vest in the Executive Committee, but no contract or agreement made by the Executive Committee shall remain in force beyond the time of the next ensuing meeting of the Board of Trustees unless approved by the Board, except in such cases as have been referred to the Executive Committee for final action.

2. The Executive Committee shall make full report of all its transactions to the next ensuing meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Duties of Officers and Finance Committee.

1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Convention, of the Board of Trustees, and of the Executive Committee.

2. The Vice-Presidents shall perform the duties of the President during his absence.

3. The Treasurer shall have charge of the funds of the Convention. He shall be the custodian of the securities of the Convention, and shall

keep a careful record of all permanent, conditional, and special trust funds, with a brief statement of the conditions under which they are held and the particulars concerning their investment. He shall keep each class of funds separate and distinct from every other, and from the several funds of the Convention. He shall prepare a monthly statement of the condition of the treasury and submit the same to the Executive Committee through the Secretary. He shall execute all financial documents, and when necessary, affix thereto the seal of the Convention unless the Board of Trustees shall otherwise specifically direct. He shall make payments out of the treasury only upon the written order of the Secretary. Whenever required by the Executive Committee he shall give bonds to such an amount as they may direct.

4. The Secretary shall keep a faithful record of all the meetings of the Convention, of the Board of Trustees, and of the Executive Committees. The quarterly reports of the churches aided by the Convention, and of the missionaries employed, shall be made to the Board through him, and he shall prepare, for each meeting of the Board and of its Executive Committee, a statement of the business which needs to be brought before it. He shall draw orders on the treasury only as authorized by the Board of Trustees or its Executive Committee.

5. The Auditor shall audit the accounts of the Treasurer and make a report thereof to the Convention once a year, and each quarter if required by the Board.

6. The Finance Committee shall have charge of, and approve by their signature, the investment of all the trust funds of the Convention subject to the approval of the Executive Committee. They may require of the Treasurer, statements of all transactions relating to trust funds, and of current receipts and expenditures whenever they deem it necessary. They may authorize the temporary transfer by the Treasurer of the funds of the Convention from one class to another whenever they may deem it necessary. They may, with the Secretary, direct the payment of amounts, not exceeding fifty dollars, in exigencies that cannot await the action of the Board of Trustees or of its Executive Committee. Under no circumstances shall any of the funds of the Convention be loaned to any officer, legal advisor, or member of the Executive Committee, or to any corporation or business enterprise in which any of them is personally interested.

Rules to Govern Appropriations.

1. All churches assisted by the Convention shall make their quarterly reports to the Board through the Secretary. All appropriations to churches shall be made quarterly, and no application for aid will be considered until the report of the church has been received. Quarterly reports must be sent in during the first weeks in October, January, April, and July.

2. Appropriations will be made to churches only when such churches

have settled pastors, and when they shall have made, within the year preceding, contributions for at least three objects of benevolence, including the Domestic Mission work of the Connecticut Baptist Convention, and when they shall have satisfied the Board that their methods of raising funds are systematic, and best adapted for securing the largest possible revenues from their local constituencies.

3. No appropriation shall be made to any church, when in the judgment of the Executive Committee the pastor of the church is not considered worthy of such aid. It is therefore recommended that any church, without a pastor, applying for aid, shall confer with the Superintendent of Missions, or the Executive Committee, before the choice and settlement of a pastor.

4. No appropriation shall be recommended or be made toward the erection of any house of worship until the approval of the plan by the Executive Committee shall have been secured; and in all cases where such appropriations amount to $500 or more, the church or society so aided shall execute to the Convention a deed of trust of the property, which shall be held by the Convention until such time as the Board of Trustees shall deem it expedient to reconvey the property.

5. No appropriation shall be made to a church until its application has been approved by a Missionary Committee representing the association within whose territory the church is located; said committee to be elected by the association, or, in case of failure to elect, appointed by the President.

6. The quarterly appropriations of the Board shall not exceed one-fourth of the reasonably assured regular annual revenue from the churches and individuals and invested funds of the Convention, except upon the basis of definite pledges sufficient to cover the excess. The revenue is to be estimated by the average receipts of the Convention from aforesaid sources, for the three years immediately preceding.

The Superintendent of Missions.

The Superintendent of Missions shall have the general oversight and care of the entire work of the Convention under the direction of the Executive Committee. He shall visit the churches aided by the Convention as frequently as may be, consistently with his other duties. He shall investigate any new enterprises that should be brought to the attention of the Board and report the same. He shall, as opportunity may offer, present the claims of the Convention before the churches and receive subscriptions and collections for the Convention. He shall be present at all meetings of the Board, and of the Executive Committee, to counsel and advise in all their actions, but shall have no vote. He shall advise the churches aided by the Convention on all matters in which his advice is asked, but he shall not pledge the Convention to any pecuniary aid except as authorized in each case by the Board of Trustees or by its Executive Committee.

Amendments.

These By-Laws, except such as refer to the duties of the Treasurer and of the Finance Committee, may be changed or additions made thereto at any meeting of the Board of Trustees by a majority vote.

Such of the By-Laws as refer to the duties of the Treasurer and of the Finance Committee shall be of equal binding force with the provisions of the Constitution, and can be changed only by a two-thirds vote of all the members present at the annual meeting of the Convention, and after one year's notice.

General Resolution.

All resolutions, or parts of the same heretofore adopted by the Convention, Board of Trustees, or Executive Committee, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Constitution and By-Laws are hereby repealed.

Churches Contributing.

All churches sending delegates to the Convention are bound by their obligations to God and their brethren to make annual contribution to its treasury, and none, large or small ought, in any case, to fail in this important duty. They are requested to be very particular and exact in their appointment of delegates and designation of funds, and see that these funds are placed in the treasury, and published in the minutes of the Convention.

Legacies.

Form of a Legacy.— I also give and bequeath to The Connecticut Baptist Convention *dollars, lands, houses,* or *other property,* for the purpose of the Convention, as specified in the act of incorporation. And I hereby direct my executor or executors to pay said sum to the Treasurer of said Convention, taking his receipt for it, within months after my decease. [If *real estate* is devised, describe the *premises* with exactness — both lots and buildings.]

For The Building Fund.—I give and devise to The Connecticut Baptist Convention *money, lands, houses, bonds—as the case may be*— for the Building Fund, to aid in procuring or paying for suitable Houses of Worship for Mission Churches.

A similar form will answer for The Connecticut Baptist Education Society. Only be careful to specify the name.

EIGHTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Connecticut Baptist Convention.

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MERIDEN, CONN., October 17, 1905.

The Eighty-second Annual Meeting of the Connecticut Baptist Convention was held in the meeting-house of the Main Street Baptist Church, Meriden, on the above date.

President Carnot O. Spencer called the Convention to order at 10 A. M.

After singing, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," Rev. Geo. W. Nicholson read the twelfth chapter of Romans, and Rev. E. W. Potter led in prayer.

Rev. A. E. Harris, pastor of the Church, welcomed the Convention as follows:

Mr. President, Brethren and Sisters of the Convention: — I have no set address to bring you this morning; but I want to say some words out of my heart in welcoming you. Our time is too precious to deal in generalities. You are already acquainted with our city, and have tasted of the hospitality of our people. I speak not simply on behalf of the four Baptist pastors and churches in this city, but also on behalf of the Baptist pastor and church at Yalesville; and we hope that you will make use of everything we have provided. We have been looking for your coming for a year and have tried to make the best possible preparation in every way. You will be quite sympathetic with us if you are not able to find here all you desire. If anything has been overlooked it is because we could not do all that we would. We hope to bring to you material comfort, and hope that your coming shall be a blessing to this city. And so in behalf of the pastors of the four churches in the city, and the pastor and church at Yalesville I bid you a very hearty and cordial welcome.

President Spencer replied as follows:

Dear Brother Harris:—The hearty welcome you extend us from your Church finds a response in our hearts. It gives us pleasure to hold our Session in this beautiful and busy "Silver City," and in your house of worship.

Your church was formed in 1861 under the name of the "West Meriden Baptist Church." It was received into the Convention, June 11, 1862, the welcome and hand of fellowship being extended to the pastor, Rev. E. M. Jerome, by the President of the Convention, Rev. J. P. Brown, who is now living, at an advanced age, at New London, and whose privilege it has been to attend the sessions of the Convention for over fifty consecutive years. From the first, this Church has contributed to the Convention, and has had an interest in its work. Your generous hospitality has been tested upon many occasions and has never been found wanting. It is a task of love to entertain so large a gathering as this. We thoroughly appreciate the hearty invitation to hold our session with you and the welcome you have extended.

ADDRESS OF THE PRESIDENT.

Dear Brethren:—We have reason to "thank God and take courage" because of the many blessings bestowed upon us, in the in-gathering of precious souls, in the effective mission work performed and in the sustenance of the weaker churches.

The Convention enters upon the eighty-second year of its existence, with brighter hopes and more earnest faith and confidence in God's willingness to bless, because of the success that has attended 11, 1862, the welcome and hand of fellowship being extended to the the efforts of its faithful laborers, on the field, and in every department of the work.

"Domestic Missions," so dearly fostered and sustained by our fathers, is taking on a broader scope, and, by reason of changed conditions and population, is combining the elements of Home Missions as well as Foreign Missions, in our State. Greater responsibilities are upon us and greater opportunities are ours as a consequence of this enlargement of our field. "The field is the world," and it would seem with every Nationality within our borders, all needing the gospel, that in our Convention work, we were operating in a sense upon a world field, or such a portion of the world as calls for our earnest efforts to cultivate this field to the best of our ability, and when we see that it "is white, already to harvest" it must be apparent that the call for laborers is imperative.

The labors of our faihful, energetic Superintendent of Missions, our prayerful and earnest Evangelist, and our faithful Colporteur, have all been abundantly blessed, together with that of laborers in the

mission fields, but these seem "so few among so many." The spirit of evangelism which seems to prevail in some sections of our State, and which I hope may become universal, will, I trust, tend to solve the problem, when all, both pastors and people, shall, with the true evangelistic spirit, become personal laborers upon the field, seeking to win souls to Christ and His Kingdom.

When once we are thoroughly imbued with this spirit, our "purse strings" will be unloosed, and, instead of meager contributions for the maintenance of the work, as now, we shall be cheerfully giving of our substance for its prosecution. The most perplexing and serious question which the officers of the Convention have to deal with is that of the finances, and it seems deplorable that the membership of our Churches should so miserably support the State work which promises such large results. To me it sometimes seems singular that the Master should give us such signal blessings, when we are withholding that which belongs to Him and which he has entrusted to us as his Stewards.

I trust, brethren, that this matter may lay heavily upon your consciences and hearts. I once solicited a contribution from a brother for the mission cause, he handed me one dollar and hesitatingly moved away, presently he returned and, giving me another dollar, exclaimed, "there, that's to shame the devil with," which was not such a bad idea after all! Can we better overcome the evil one and drive this coveteousness from our hearts, than to do as this man did, double our contributions?

The report of the Treasurer and statements contained in the report of the Board of Trustees will reveal the condition of the finances, to which I call your especial attention. It will be seen that the contributions from the Churches are inadequate to provide for the necessary outlay of the Convention; a condition much to be deplored.

I have been interested in comparing the amount of contributions by the Churches, with the amount expended for the work, and I submit such a comparison by Associations. As I have not full data of contributions for the year just closed, I have taken the figures from the 1904 Annual, (which will not probably differ very materially from those reported for the last year). The expenditures are for the last year.

Associations.	Regular Contributions by Churches.	Cost of Convention Work in Association.
Ashford,	$332 86	$585 00
Fairfield,	790 71	710 00
Hartford,	1,337 71	1,112 00
New Haven,	1,413 22	2,600 00
New London,	479 28	390 00
Stonington Union,	617 28	200 00

In the New Haven Association the Convention is obligated to pay over about $1,250.00 in addition to that already expended. This amount is for the Italian house of worship. I have not submitted this table for the sake of making any invidious comparisons, but for the information of the Convention, and also for the purpose of inciting the interest of the Churches in the Associations to contribute as largely as possible towards sustaining the work within their borders.

Notwithstanding some discouragements and the need of larger contributions from the Churches, we have been making some progress.

A restrospect of the last five years shows that, from 1900 to 1905 inclusive, the baptisms from Convention work have been 97, 132, 75, 110, 232 and 349 respectively. In the matter of a Permanent Fund, and in Trust Funds for Churches, we have also made an advance during the last five years. In 1900 the amount of the Permanent Fund was $10,000.00. In 1905 it is $22,450.00, and, through the failure of two of the Churches to meet the conditions on which their trust funds are held, the income of $3,000 of such funds is released for Convention work, this makes the present productive funds of the Convention amount to the sum of $25,450.00. The Trust Funds for churches in 1900 amounted to $15,650.00, in 1905 it is $31,650.00, from which, however, should be deducted the $3,000 above referred to as having reverted to the Convention, thus leaving practically the amount of Trust funds, $28,650.00.

The Annuity Funds, which are comparatively a new feature in our finances, now amount to $7,000.00. The Convention pays interest on these to the holder of the bond during his or her life time and, at the decease of the holder, the amount of the bond becomes the property of the Convention and may be added to the Permanent Fund as provided in the bond. Of all these gains the following have been secured during the last three years, viz: to Permanent Fund $12,050.00; to Trust Funds $10,000.00; to the Annuity Funds $7,000.00.

In addition to these funds, the Convention owns several pieces of property mentioned at the end of the Treasurer's report in the Annual; to which should now be added the chapel occupied by our Italian mission at Stamford. It is well known that a site had been purchased and that plans had been perfected for the erection of a house of worship for the Italian Mission at New Haven, but these plans are now set aside.

It will be a great pleasure for the Convention to know that, Providentially, through the efforts of the New Haven Baptist Union, a valuable property formerly owned by the Trinity Episcopal Church, has been secured upon extremely favorable terms, and that the Italian mission now will be thoroughly equipped for efficient service. We look for a decided advance in this mission. It is pleasing to note that a few of the Churches aided by the Convention have made

some advancement in their work. Some of these should make strenuous efforts to become self-supporting. I am confident this could be done, if it were set to with a will, by both pastor and people. Some of these Churches, located in sparcely settled places, give but little promise of improvement. Where there is lack of material, there cannot of course be growth. We do not want to abandon any field, but it might be wisdom to do so in two or three instances.

There is no disposition on the part of the Convention, however, not to assist these self sacrificing pastors. We would encourage them and the little bands to whom they minister to do their best; help comes to those who help themselves.

The women of our churches, (God bless them), are doing a grand work for Home and Foreign Missions, their contributions to these for the year 1904-5 amounting to the sum of $6,878.74. They evidently are in love with their work, and, doubtless, are more persistent and systematic in their efforts, than are the brethren in mission work. They keep in touch with their missions, and furnish information respecting them; for all of which they are to be commended; but, cannot the dear sisters turn some of their attention to the Convention work? For several of the earlier Convention years, the reports of the Treasurer of "Domestic Mission" contributions contained receipts from "Female Domestic Mission Societies," "Female Missionary Societies," "Female Primary Societies," "Ladies' Associations," etc., in the several churches.

Credit is also given for donations of gold rings, gold beads, gold earrings and gold necklaces, and these gifts received the approbation of the Convention which, at its Annual Session in 1831, passed the following resolution: "*Resolved*, "That we view it as a cause of devout gratitude to God that several of our female friends have contributed their gold ornaments to the cause of missions and that all the members of our Churches who wear such ornaments be affectionately invited to imitate their worthy example." Well, we are living in different days now; the ladies have not *all* given up their ornaments, but they do contribute to the cause of missions, and "State Missions" need their help and support.

I should like to speak of some other phases of our work but must desist. The report of the Board of Trustees will give you a full synopsis of the work for the past year. With their suggestions and recommendations I am in accord. I wish to thank the members of the Board and the Convention for the uniform courtesy bestowed upon me personally and as President. You have made it easy for me to preside over your deliberations for the past five years.

My attention has been called to an article in the *Waterbury Republican*, in which is published the last will and testament of the late David G. Porter of Waterbury.

After leaving the major part of his estate for the purpose of founding a Training School for pupils of small means, he makes the following bequests:—

To the First and Second Baptist churches in Waterbury Five Thousand dollars, each, to be used for any purpose except current yearly expenses: — One Thousand dollars to be used in promoting the Swedish Baptist interest in Waterbury, and One Thousand dollars to be used in promoting the Italian Baptist interest in Waterbury.

While congratulating the First and Second Baptist churches upon these gifts, the Convention feels especially interested in the two latter gifts to the Swedish and Italian interests, these being now assisted by the Convention, and we congratulate them upon receiving such substantial aid in building up their interests in that city.

President Spencer announced the following committees, to report at this session:

On Nomination of Officers — Rev. Henry Clarke, Rev. H. B. Carpenter, Hon. H. A. Hull, Rev. J. R. Stubbert, Rev. L. B. Sears, S. O. Preston.

On Resolutions — Rev. W. A. Spinney, Rev. C. W. Wolfe, Rev. H. E. Wise, Rev. J. W. Richardson, Rev. E. W. Potter, L. C. Glazier.

On Place and Preacher—Rev. T. Edwin Brown, D.D., Geo. M. Morse, Rev. J. A. Elder, Rev. W. F. Rowley, Rev. E. E. Loux, Robert Palmer.

On Enrollment — Rev. G. H. Gardner, Rev. Walter Gay, Rev. C. A. Gruhn, Rev. C. I. Ramsey, Rev. N. B. Prindle, Rev. B. F. Benoit.

Rev. F. H. Divine read the report of the Board of Trustees.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Dear Brethren of the Convention:—With many and profound reasons for gratitude to God do we render this another accounting of YOUR trust. Activity, progress, harmony, and blessing have crowned the year. Many desired ends have been attained but the ultimate goal is far beyond, and we gather here for new inspiration, encouragement, re-enforcement, and Power to make the year beginning mark a general advance and upward movement.

It is a matter for deep gratitude that your Board has lost by neither death nor removal from the state during the year. Our working force has been preserved in health and unhindered by any serious providence, but one church of our denomination has been called to mourn the death of its pastor.

GENERAL SURVEY.

It is utterly impossible to give a complete and adequate statement of the work that has been accomplished either in effort or result. Some conception can be gathered from the accompanying tables which record many and arduous services faithfully performed by earnest and devoted men. You will readily discover that their labors have produced valuable results in souls saved and support rendered to the larger interests of the Kingdom. He alone knows the fruitage in quality. In the time to come it may be revealed that the largest and best results of the year have neither been known nor tabulated. The work of the Evangelist, Colporteur, and Superintendent will be mentioned in another connection.

French Work.

Under the wise and patient leadership of Rev. B. F. Benoit our work among the French people of Putnam and vicinity has gained new impulse. Seven have been baptized during the year. This work presents all of the difficulties to be found among a people with strong Roman prejudices and superstition. Only the gospel wins.

German Work.

Of five German Baptist interests in the state that represent all that we are doing for about 75,000 people of that race, three are self supporting and vigorous churches. The church at Bridgeport, under the pastoral care of Rev. C. A. Gruhn, is doing good work and is making gradual progress. At Waterbury little is doing, and, in fact, there seems to be little hope for progress. The remaining members would do wisely by uniting with the First church of that city.

Swedish Work.

Activity, devotion, and progress are ever the order with our Swedish brethren. In their devotion to their religious profession, loyalty to religious and denominational convictions, ag-

gressiveness, thrift, and sacrifice for Christ's sake they give evidence of the rugged life in the father-land and a healthful example to most modern Christians.

The Meriden church is delighted with its success at self-support. We have no doubt that other Swedish churches will come to their majority just as soon as it is possible for them to care for their own needs. It is a pleasure to help such to that end. A glance at the accompanying table will show that these churches are never selfish or self-centered even in the times of their greatest struggles. The percentage of their beneficence is large.

We are compelled to report a distinct loss to this part of our work during the year because the covetuous eyes of others far and near have been turned this way. Rev. Emil Friborg, New Haven, yielded to the overtures from the First Swedish church of New York City and left on June first a united, prosperous, and progressive church after four years of fruitful service. The vacancy thus created has not yet been filled though the church has tried to call several highly commended men to the pastorate in turn.

The Swedish church, Hartford, has recorded its regret that Los Angeles, California, should have induced Rev. John Friborg to give up the work that he has ably led for the past six years. Gratitude for what he has done, under God, assures him that his future ministry will be sustained by many prayers. Already a successor has been called, but his decision is not yet announced. A new Swedish church just organized at Springfield, Mass., is largely the outgrowth of mission work done by Brother Friborg and his church.

Rev. J. E. Klingberg is giving devoted and wise spiritual leadership to the New Britain church. Few men know how to trust God as he does. The wonderful doings of God, in answer to this pastor's plans and prayers, in the work of the Children's Home that he is carrying on, are as strange as fancy, as soul stirring as deepest pathos, as real as God. Every department of the church is active and well served.

In January the Tabernacle Baptist church of Waterbury was duly organized and recognized, and today they knock at the Convention doors and ask for fellowship. They report 57 members and a large following of their own people. On a recent evening the pastor counted upwards of thirty-five young men in the audience who were in need of Christ, and more young women in a like condition. In July pastor Laurence and this heroic company of people were able to dedicate their new house of worship. The story of this achievement is thrilling and inspiring. They have

only finished the basement of the interior and are worshiping there until they can gather strength enough to finish and furnish the auditorium. This will cost about $2,500.00. Their services have so grown in interest and attendance that they have not room and seating capacity for all who attend. They will do all they can, and as fast as possible in every way, to secure the final completion of their edifice and the salvation of their people. They should have the prayers and substantial help of all who are able to give either. Out of a discouraged company of little more than a score of people, with small earnings, within three years they have won their way to the present condition having a church property in which they have an equity of $7,300.00. One can but feel that the help given by the Convention was wisely ministered. The First church, Waterbury, has done the generous thing by this young daughter in every way. For the interest taken and service rendered in securing and directing the work of building, much is due to Brother D. L. Smith.

The Swedes of Bristol have concluded that the time is not ripe for them to build and call a pastor of their own, and are continuing their work in a quiet way as a branch of the Bristol church.

Italian Work.

The year has been one of steady advance. Most of the year has witnessed the abundant labors of five loyal and devoted men.

Rev. Antonio Roca has pushed the work in Hartford with wisdom and vigor. In the winter he suffered from a long illness, but the work went on under other temporary leadership. Early in January Brother Roca found it impossible to longer continue the extra work at Meriden, and since that time nothing has been done in that needy field. Want of money with which to hire a missionary is the cause for closing the doors to a hopeful work.

Rev. A. diDomenica has had a year of excellent progress at New Haven. Any sceptic concerning the worth of Italian mission work ought to attend a few services and notice the fine company of people that has been gathered, and how the gospel transforms their lives, and how enthusiastic they are for the salvation of others.

Twelve have been baptized during the year. When they come into the use of their own building and can give themselves fully to all phases of work for their own people, it is confidently believed that much larger results will be secured. Mr. and Mrs. diDomenica have been enjoying a well earned vacation which they have spent in visiting their native land and their loved ones beyond the seas.

At New London Rev. Joseph Rapp has been doing the best

he could by means of street preaching, house-to-house work, and meetings in private homes. Until the middle of September we were unable to secure a suitable place of worship near the Italian colony. Finally a new store was secured at a rental of $15.00 per month. For this, the cost of furniture, as well as the salary of the missionary the American Baptist Home Mission Society shares equally the burden with the Convention. We hope from this time on that the missionary in charge will have greater courage and bestow more abundant labors upon his people.

Stamford has caused its heart aches in the past. This year has been like a dream, and it is still hard to think present conditions are true. Since the disturbance and betrayal nearly three years ago, we have gone steadily on with our work under the direction of Rev. V. diDomenica, worshiping in a hired hall, enduring every form of opposition, and suffering the loss of years of labor and investment. Surprise expresses but mildly the feelings when, without solicitation or suggestion, the Italians came back and asked to be restored to their former relation, "not as equals, but as prodigals", and in token of their penitence and good faith made over the chapel property to the Convention. The Convention had never owned this property though they had enjoyed the use of it before the revolt under Mr. DeCarlo. We now have an equity in the property of at least $3,000.00, and have been in possession since last February. There are divided and unsettled conditions on this field that hinder the best work, but constancy, sweetness, faith, and the blessing of God are sure to prevail. The work of the Bible School under the direction of Miss E. Isabell Youngs is promising.

The work at Banksville has been continued through the year, Brother diDomenica going there twice each month, preaching to the people, and calling at their homes. For most of the time he has traveled this long distance from Stamford on foot, in one direction, for want of other means of conveyance. This he is glad to do for the joy the people express at hearing the gospel. He has also conducted a service at South Norwalk every Sunday afternoon. The work at New Canaan was abandoned early in the year for the reason that some mysterious agencies caused the attendance to stop all at once.

Rev. John Barone came to our service in November last and settled in Waterbury. His labors have been abundant and fruitful. Since the first of January he has conducted a mission in Bristol every Monday night with excellent result. In February a mission was opened by him in Torrington and has been carried on every Thursday night with good success. Upon these

three fields Brother Barone has been privileged to baptize twenty who have given credible evidence of faith.

Who will measure the results of the efforts being made to evangelize the upwards of 60,000 Italians in our state? Full of zeal for Christ and their countrymen, many of them are becoming missionaries wherever they go. Some of them have gone back to their own country and are preaching to large numbers, and God is bestowing His blessing. Bristol Italians have petitioned for a missionary of their own. Meriden needs a missionary. One man could serve both fields very well. Shall they be denied for want of a little money?

Negro Churches.

Rev. T. W. Garnett keeps steadily on with the work at Danbury. We regret that he does not live in the city. He does well but might do better if living on the field.

Rev. I. W. Reed serves Grace church of Waterbury and has made advancement through the year. They have been able to reduce their mortgage by the payment of $1,000.00, and have heard some new voices. It is to be deplored that strife has arisen within the church without reason to justify it. It is to be hoped that wisdom and the Spirit of Christ will triumph.

The year has witnessed in Connecticut no more praiseworthy achievement than that of Shiloh church, Hartford, under the pastorate of Rev. W. A. Harrod. In seven months they removed an entire mortgage indebtedness of $1,800.00 with accrued interest and other obligations, besides paying current expenses. For years this had been a crushing burden. They are now about to expend several hundred dollars in repairs and improvements. The spiritual interests were not neglected during this effort. In Christian harmony, activity, wisdom in leadership, frankness, and openness in business affairs they are a splendid example to all other Negro churches.

English Speaking Churches.

Andover, small and scattered, has made advancement. Rev. J. W. Higgins has done faithful work for the Eastford and Westford churches, while Rev. R. H. Sherman has been solving some of the problems at South Woodstock. For them the year has been a decided advance. The church has become incorporated, the Ecclesiastical Society has gone, a new baptistry has been built and used. Efforts have been made to secure service for East Killingly but without avail except that Colporteur Barnes spent the month of July with the church. There is some desire

for the opening of this historic church, but this will be impossible until there is a larger available income. The church might be made to live and do a work.

White Hills has been aided nine months of the past year. Rev. A. A. Bickford continues to serve them. Time is depleting the membership and their places are not being filled. A rousing revival is the need of this church.

Bantam has had preaching only three months of the year. East Cornwall keeps the light burning. In July the church ordained R. H. Tibbals, a son of this little church, who is now finishing his theological course, and is to go to the foreign field. Cornwall Hollow has kept her doors open and has made material improvement. Rev. P. S. Collins has been the bishop of these three Litchfield churches.

Bloomfield holds her own under pastor Wolf's leadership. Canton has had a year of quiet advance. Rev. J. C. Gavin gave up the pastorate of the Colebrook churches in April and a successor was found in the person of Rev. W. P. Bartlett, who came to the work August 1. Good things are hoped for from these scattered churches. Tariffville has had a good year and has gathered some fruit. Rev. A. B. Todd is the faithful pastor. West Hartford keeps a steady pace with little change. On April 1 Rev. W. S. Middlemass went to Cromwell, and was succeeded immediately by Mr. E. K. Jordan of the Hartford Seminary.

Cheshire has gone on as usual under pastor Gardner. Naugatuck has held on bravely and, under the determined purpose of pastor Smith, has secured funds with which to put in a new baptistry which they have used once. Rev. G. D. Reid has served the Shelton church just a year, and has given a good account of his ministry. Numerous evidences of improvement are noted. Shelton ought to become one of our strong churches.

Rev. N. B. Prindle has continued his mission work on the old Ledyard field. Discouragements are numerous, but there is hope in the children to whom he ministers. Rev. E. W. Darrow faithfully continues at Sterling, and has witnessed evidences of saving grace.

EVANGELISTIC WORK AND RESULTS.

The Convention exists primarily for the salvation of souls. Much work of great value may be performed without the evidence of numerical return. Quality is the first essential, but quality issues, in the Kingdom of God, in the increase of quantity. It is largely a false assumption, to attempt to justify that

which should be mastered, to claim advancement for a church and the fulfilling of God's purpose concerning it, when no souls are being won to Christ. Evangelism is the basis of all growth in the Kingdom. Some soul must be saved before there is quality; and quality is improved by going after another.

To this end, increasingly, are efforts making to meet the problems of our cosmopolitan population. With a working force all too small, we have been trying to save some of the French, German, Swede, and Italian people. Among the native stock, however, is a condition of need that is unsurpassed because of religious indifference amounting to little less than listless stagnation.

Our best and strongest churches need the deepest and most genuine spiritual awakening. To this end the Convention is bending every energy. Evangelist, A. F. Baker, visited fourteen churches last year and did a work of which the pastors and churches speak in high terms. Baptisms followed in every case but two. These services, which lasted in each instance from twelve to twenty or more days, were held at Cheshire, Olivet, New Haven, South Norwalk, Plantsville, Olive Branch Mission of Meriden, Bozrah, Stafford, Third North Stonington, Montville, Main Street, Meriden, Southington (where a union meeting of three churches was held), Middletown, Memorial, Hartford, and Yalesville. The largest results, we believe, are not indicated in the resulting baptisms, but in the renewed life of the churches and a new impulse to realize the true and constant evangelism. The Evangelist's time is engaged for weeks in advance. More and more are we seeing the wisdom of the Convention's policy in this direction.

Besides the regular work of the Secretary, he has found time during the year to spend two or more weeks each, in extra meetings with the churches at Moosup, East Lyme, Essex, Noank, and a shorter time at South Norwalk and North Lyme. Baptisms are reported from all of these efforts. Other churches asked for help that could not be given for want of time.

It is interesting to summarize the year's work so far as it can be stated. Seven baptisms resulted from our French work; five from the German; twenty-five from the Swedish; fifty-two from the Italian; twenty-three from the Negro; thirty-one from the English speaking churches; fifty-seven from the work of the Secretary; and one hundred and forty-nine from the efforts of the Evangelist, not to mention fifty or more who united with churches of other denominations as a result of our Convention work. This makes a grand total of three hundred and forty-nine baptisms resulting from the Convention work, or nearly one third of all the baptisms reported for the year. In view of all this, and

the fact that the small investment of about $10,000.00 has made this possible, and infinitely more, who will doubt the value of "State Missions"? More; what justification can there be for the difficulty encountered in securing so small a sum when such dividends are in view?

COLPORTAGE WAGON WORK.

Through the generosity and by the request of the late Hon. W. A. Munroe, Cambridge, Mass., the American Baptist Publication Society offered to put a Colportage outfit into Connecticut and help to maintain the same. In spite of the difficulty to secure sufficient means to carry on the regular work of the Convention, your Board did not feel that it could let this unsought agency for good be lost, especially when our responsibility should be limited to half the salary of the Colporteur. Since May 1, Mr. Warren O. Barnes, an experienced Baptist missionary, has been working chiefly in those communities where we have pastorless and dying churches. The results have been gratifying, and Mr. Barnes has warmed many hearts to a new love for Christ. He has gone from home to home through the week, and has served these little churches Sundays and on many week nights. He reports fifty-one sermons preached, thirty-one prayer meetings, three hundred eighty-three calls, twenty-one inquirers, and thirty-one dollars and twenty-three cents collected for the Convention. It is our design to send Mr. Barnes not only to neglected communities, but to the aid of pastors in remote churches We see in this agency the possibility of much good that can not appear.

EDIFICE WORK.

For years the New Haven Baptist Union has been facing the necessity of securing a Chapel for the Italians and have been devoting their energies to that end. By strenuous efforts $6,000.00 were secured for that purpose three months ago, of which $750.00 is the gift of the Home Mission Society, and nearly $1,250.00 is given by your Convention. A house and lot were purchased three years ago, architectural plans had been adopted, the work of building a modest chapel was to have been begun at once, but now it is all brushed aside. October 11 witnessed the closing of a transaction by which the New Haven Baptist Union comes into possession of the property formerly owned and occupied by Trinity Episcopalian Church on George Street. This property is in excellent condition, well located for Italian work, and consists of three buildings now used for Nurses Home, Old Ladies Home, and

Chapel. It is claimed that the three buildings alone, exclusive of the land, cost $65,000.00, and that the Chapel and its furnishings could not be reproduced for $25,000.00, and the entire plant becomes the immediate possession of the New Haven Baptist Union for the sum of $15,000.00. There has been a wise and generous Providence taking account of the patient struggles of the New Haven Baptists for the cause of Christ and the Italians, and has moved upon other hearts that made the purchase of this property at so moderate a figure possible. There has been exhibited much more than the spirit of Comity. We make grateful recognition of such helpfulness to our cause, and congratulate New Haven Baptists, and the Italian people in particular, upon a condition that promises more than had been hoped. Without doubt this will give the most complete equipment for Italian work by Baptists in this country, and will be watched with greatest interest. We predict that future reports from New Haven will be cheering.

It is impossible to carry on christian work successfully without equipment. This can not be secured in a moment, and not always in as generous a measure as this just reported, but we should take seriously to heart more and more the necessity of providing adequate working facilities for our missionary workers. If these strange people are not evangelized and the workers report little progress, what wonder is it? Who shall be held accountable for the lack?

The Swedes of Waterbury have already taken possession of their building and are proving their right to place, fellowship, and help. To their building fund we gave $1,000.00.

Early in the year the Board promised to give $500.00 jointly with the American Baptist Home Mission Society, on certain conditions, to enable the erection of a Chapel for the Swedes in Bristol, but, for reasons that seemed wise to the Swedes and the Bristol church, it was thought better not to take such a step at present.

Twenty-five dollars have been given toward paying for much needed repairs to the Cornwall Hollow meeting house, and a like sum toward installing a baptistry in the church at South Woodstock.

By the gift of one hundred dollars the Shiloh church of Hartford was encouraged to remove a mortgage of $1,800.00, and to do many other good things. A similar gift to Grace church, Waterbury, secured the reduction of their mortgage by $1,000.00. These last two gifts dispose of the Colored Church Fund. A few hundred dollars in the hands of the Board, from time to time, could be wisely used in such ways.

With an insufficient income for general work, and with only a small Edifice Fund in hand, it was found necessary to raise

$2,000.00 by special subscription from a few generous friends in order to pay the pledges to New Haven and Waterbury. To this end the Secretary has secured, in cash and pledges, about two-thirds of the amount; pressure of other work has prevented getting the rest.

There is need for a Chapel for the Italian mission in New London. When will it be possible to have the money with which to secure the same? In the mean time we are paying out $180 00 a year of your money simply for rent, with the possibility of having to move at any time.

Concerning the possibilities of organizing a church at Greenwich and building a Chapel, your Board sent a Committee there last fall who expressed surprise that nothing had been done before, and were still more surprised to find that the wealthy Baptists who live or maintain summer homes in Greenwich were either disinterested or opposed to such an undertaking. Our cause awaits the time when a few earnest souls have courage and devotion enough to begin an interest and push it to final recognition and victory. Our denomination is seriously losing in men and money because we have so few churches on the shore west of New Haven. Other denominations are profiting by our neglect or else our people are drifting away from Christian obligations.

FINANCE.

Grateful recognition is heartily made for the manner in which the **Bible Schools** have been supporting our work. Only for this help we could not continue the **Evangelist,** and report, as we have this year, 149 baptisms from his efforts alone. When all of our schools come to know Evangelist Baker and the kind of work he is doing, and that his services are available for any church, we are sure every one will take a generous share in his support. We want an offering from every Bible School, no matter if it is small.

The Young People's Societies have shown much enterprise and a delightful purpose in taking up the support of the **Colportage work** and providing enough more to make possible the support of a **Swedish pastor.** We look for a complete union of interests and activities in great denominational enterprise. Their heartiness and generosity have been an inspiration to better things. We bespeak their continued and growing helpfulness.

We only wish we could express our gratitude to our **Women's Societies** for having made **"State Missions"** a part of their work. That will be a future pleasure.

Besides the gifts acknowledged a year ago, some of which did not come into our possession until this year, we are glad to report the following:

Some friend, who jealously guards his identity, sent **$250.00** through the hands of the President. We would thank him if we could discover him. Since we can not, we will forgive him and any others who will continue in such well doing.

Through the settlement of the estate of the late **George R. Willmot,** Meriden, the Convention derived nearly **$1,250.00** which has been added to the **Permanent Fund,** and bears the name of the testator.

By the will of **Miss Sarah Searls** of Brooklyn, Conn., the Convention receives **$100.00,** and the Brooklyn church **$300.00.** Her bequest to the Convention will constitute the **Sarah Searls Fund.**

We are pleased to announce the gift of **$1,000.00** to the **Annuity Fund** from **Mrs. Jane E. Balcom,** Addison, N. Y. Until her decease this fund will yield six and one-half per cent. interest to the donor.

By the final decree of the Probate Court in Massachusetts, the Convention is about to come into possession of the **Samuel W. Parshley Trust Fund** of **$5,000.00** for the benefit of the First Baptist church of Middletown.

The greatest annual gift to Connecticut Baptist work, and one little appreciated as to its significance and proportions, is the **Co-operative work. Mr. Munroe** giving a **Colportage outfit,** the **American Baptist Publication Society** paying half of the salary of the Colporteur and all the expense of maintenance, and the **American Baptist Home Mission Society** in joining equally with the Convention in the support of all work among the foreigners, large gifts to the Chapel work, and one third of the net cost of the Evangelist. During the present year the Home Mission Society has expended in Connecticut about **$3,900.00,** and they have promised **$750.00** toward the Italian chapel in New Haven, and are impatient to have the conditions met. The Society was also ready to give **$250.00** for a Swedish chapel at Bristol, and help support a missionary in case the task had been assumed. We are not only greatful for this help to the work of Connecticut Baptists, but bespeak a large place for the Society in the prayers and support of all.

In view of the foregoing, in view of the fact that sixty-five per cent. of the population of the state are of foreign birth or parentage, in view of the very large return for the money invested, in view of the many demands and needs, is it not strange that the annual offerings of the churches, representing a membership of more than 25,000, with a constituency much larger, should

average only $4,000.00, or sixteen cents per member?

The Convention has in its service all the time from thirty five to forty men faithfully devoting themselves to the work, and when we add the chapel building, debt raising, and all, the annual outlay reaches only $10,000.00. Several single churches expend that sum annually and report small gains, and yet your Convention for the current year reports 349 baptisms and two chapels built or assured. When it is remembered that the income from Permanent and Trust Funds will not exceed $1,500.00, it is easy to discover something of the labor of soul and brain that must be endured in the effort to overcome this large difference, $4,000.00 or more, between the ordinary income and the urgent needs.

We therefore urge more generous giving by our churches; that *all* our churches and their auxiliary societies have a substantial part in the work of the Convention; that many more individual gifts be made from time to time in such sums as are convenient; that others become interested in the Convention's Annuity Bonds; and that every true steward of God write the name of the Connecticut Baptist Convention in his "last will and testament."

SUGGESTIONS.

(1) The business of the Convention is constantly increasing and there is frequent need for the advice and service of a competent attorney. It is recommended that the Constitution of the Convention be so amended as to provide for an Attorney to be elected as other officers are, and that his salary be determined by the Board. Such a change requires a year's notice which is hereby given.

(2) The work of the Treasurer requires much time, labor, wisdom, and responsibility. All of this is being asked and cheerfully rendered by a very busy man. A hearty vote of thanks is due our Treasurer. If it is not yet time, may it soon come when the office of Treasurer shall be a bonded office with compensation sufficient to pay all costs and provide necessary clerical service.

(3) The new population in Connecticut makes a new and serious problem for all our churches in country and city alike. Its solution is entirely beyond our reach. At best we can do only a little in some of the condensed centres, among a few of the races. What is to be done with the rest? And what are the churches to do for self-preservation in city and country where the foreigner is displacing our membership? We venture a suggestion that is, in our judgment, second in importance to no item in this report. Their need, the preservation of righteousness and our churches,

together with Christ's command compel us to face the problem. But we stop for very reason of lack of means of communication. They do not come to our churches and services for the same reason we would not attend in their land and in their language. This language problem is not insuperable. The housewife masters it in the kitchen; the manufacturer overcomes it in the shop; the tradesman solves it for his business; the children brush it aside in the street and in the school room without difficulty.

The church can and must take a forward step in this simple transforming process in which we believe our New Population will be ready and apt pupils, and grateful withal. Let every church that has many or even few foreigners within its reach start classes in the English language. Teach them to read and converse in our speech. Make them think in our terms and feel that we love them. Let this not be a matter of the Bible-school, but a business by itself. When this has been carried far enough, get them into a class by themselves in the Bible-school, and into the church and its services as far as possible. They want to know the language for selfish reasons; take advantage of that fact. The beginning may be small at first, but when one or two have been won they will take it up for you, and be better and more efficient than you, because of a better mastery of both languages and the temperament and needs of their own people. They wish to become American and use our language. Nearly every church in the State might have a class from some other nation, and some might have many classes from many peoples. This means work, long and difficult. Yes, but it will pay. In the process there is highest patriotism, truest brotherhood, surest self-preservation, and loyalty to Christ.

We now turn from the record of the year to face a new opportunity. It is big with promise, promise of more and better, promise for all that we will accept. In the unbounded wisdom, grace, and Power of God may there come upon all our churches, through their entire membership, such a baptism of Power and zeal for lost men as that Connecticut shall have its own mighty renewing and ingathering, unlike all others, overturning all formality, uprooting carnality, overcoming the greed and taint of commercialism, and making the church realize the full of her privilege. We pray not for a Welsh revival, but for a CONNECTICUT REVIVAL, such as only God can give according to His will. Let the Roberts be on their faces before God while we await no leadership but the SPIRIT. Under Him we shall neither err, nor lack.

Adopted by the Board, Meriden, October 16, 1905.

F. H. DIVINE,
Secretary.

SUMMARY OF REPORTS FROM AIDED CHURCHES

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Weeks of Service.	Baptized.	Added by Letter, Etc.	Membership.	Sermons Preached	Prayer Meetings	Pastoral Visits.	For Home Expenses.	BENEVOLENCE. State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Other Objects.	Total Be'tence.	Paid by Convention.
Andover,	E. Hatfield,	52	3	1	38	46	25	218	$357 00	$5 00	$ 6 00	$ 6 00	$9 00	$26 00	$ 50 00
Eastford,	J. W. Higgins,	52	..	..	40	54	35	176	329 45	22 00	7 25	8 25	26 76	69 26	80 00
Westford,	J. W. Higgins,	52	..	..	43	51	19	126	162 80	6 00	.....	.....	14 75	20 75	40 00
Woodstock, South	R. H. Sherman,	52	6	5	62	62	73	202	720 85	6 75	3 00	3 00	.....	12 75	50 00*
Bridgeport, German,	C. A. Gruhn,	52	5	..	60	136	75	348	528 26	15 00	22 00	8 50	24 50	70 00	150 00†
Danbury, New Hope	T. W. Garnett,	52	6	8	39	94	47	82	261 75	2 00	11 00	1 75	23 75	38 50	50 00
White Hills,	A. A. Bickford,	39	..	..	30	36	18	108	291 50	12 00	6 00	.....	.....	18 00	60 00
Bantam,	P. S. Collins,	13	..	..	32	12	..	12	68 00	7 00	.....	.....	.....	7 00	13 00
Bloomfield,	H. M. Wolf, Jr.	52	..	2	46	107	49	121	679 14	10 00	7 00	8 00	16 00	41 00	100 00
Canton,	F. H. Cooper,	52	2	..	36	89	49	216	414 40	20 00	4 00	4 00	2 00	30 00	100 00
Colebrook, North,	J. C. Gavin,	28	..	..	..	20	5	74	86 00	3 00	2 00	.....	.....	5 00	21 50
" "	W. P. Bartlett,	8	..	..	7	9	..	10	30 66	.....	1 00	1 00	.....	2 00	6 67
Colebrook, South,	J. C. Gavin,	28	..	..	..	27	13	85	106 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	32 50
" "	W. P. Bartlett.	8	..	..	47	9	2	10	33 33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00
Cornwall, East,	P. S. Collins,	52	..	4	52	48	44	98	229 05	13 25	2 50	3 50	5 50	24 75	50 00
Cornwall Hollow,	P. S. Collins,	52	..	..	21	44	13	69	187 75	5 00	2 00	.....	1 00	8 00	50 00‡
Hartford, Shiloh,	W. A. Harrod,	33	5	7	§163	59	25	436	2,866 65	15 00	.....	.....	1 68	16 68	100 00§
Hartford, Swede,	John Friborg,	52	6	9	112	178	111	346	1,208 73	25 00	19 75	15 00	167 63	227 38	150 00¶
New Britain, "	J. E. Klingberg,	52	2	2	125	151	73	435	878 26	8 19	21 35	5 58	115 70	150 82	120 00¶
Tariffville,	A. B. Todd,	52	6	2	60	102	30	360	498 26	21 00	3 00	4 75	10 68	39 43	100 00
West Hartford,	W. S. Middlemas,	26	..	1	..	28	33	15	215 24	.....	.....	.....	3 60	3 60	52 00
" "	E. K. Jordan,	26	..	..	36	25	24	50	178 50	10 00	5 00	5 00	.....	20 00	52 00
Cheshire,	G. H. Gardner,	52	14	..	24	41	4	62	158 40	25 30	1 50	.....	4 00	30 80	104 00
Naugatuck,	C. C. Smith,	52	1	..	19	102	47	485	824 97	5 00	1 50	.....	12 32	18 82	156 00
New Haven, Swede,	Emil Friborg,	35	12	2	119	129	42	258	616 00	.....	.....	.....	114 80	114 80	67 31¶
Shelton,	G. D. Reid,	52	..	18	93	91	62	390	738 75	10 00	.....	7 10	27 90	45 00	160 00
Waterbury, Grace,	I. W. Reed,	52	12	22	128	90	52	212	1,451 19	5 00	.....	.....	50 20	55 20	100 00§
Waterbury, Swedish Br.	A. O. Laurence,	52	15	3	57	137	82	227	6,049 00	19 00	15 00	5 00	103 90	142 90	175 00¶
Ledyard,	N. B. Prindle,	52	2	..	7	38	..	54	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00‖
Sterling,	E. W. Darrow,	52	7	..	86	99	51	110	434 52	10 00	8 00	4 00	31 50	53 50	100 00
Churches, 27.	25 Pastors, yrs.	24¾	84	86	1,575	2,022	1,133	5,415	$20604 41	$280 49	$148 85	$90 38	$767 17	$1291 94	$2,379 96

* Additional appropriation of $25.00 from Edifice Fund for a baptistry.
† An equal sum given by the German Atlantic Conference.
‡ Special gift from Edifice Fund for repairs, $25.00 additional.
§ Special appropriation from Colored Church Fund to reduce mortgage.
¶ These pastors are paid a like sum by the Am. Bap. Home Missiou Soc.
‖ No church organization.

REPORTS FROM MISSIONARIES.

Missionaries	Field of Labor	Weeks Employed	Baptized	Sermons Delivered	Prayer Meetings Conducted	Other Addresses	Pastoral Visits.	Paid by Convention	From Other Sources
B. F. Benoit ...	Putnam, etc..	52	7	96	49	..	1,011	$360 00	$360 00*
A. Roca.....	Hartford	52	7	104	52	..	443	420 00¶	300 00*
A. Roca.....	Meriden.....	14	..	13	..	..	85	10 93	10 92*
A.diDomenica†	New Haven..	52	12	39	39	..	343	400 00§	400 00*
A. diDomenica	Waterbury ..	7	..	7	..	..	26	6 40	6 40*
V. diDomenica	Stamford....	52	10	117	52	..	465	385 00	385 00*
V. diDomenica	So. Norwalk.	52	3	52	..	1	120	12 00	12 00*
V. diDomenica	Banksville..	52	..	24	..	..	86	10 28	10 29*
V. diDomenica	New Canaan	5	..	10	..	..	19	1 00	1 00*
Joseph Rapp‡.	New London	52	..	105	49	48	1,096	360 00**	360 00*
John Barone ..	Waterbury ..	47	8	47	56	5	1,444	330 00	330 00*
John Barone ..	Bristol.	41	8	41	..	..	399	18 38	18 37*
John Barone ..	Torrington..	31	4	30	..	..	356	20 25	20 25*
		509	59	685	297	54	5,893	2,334 24	2,214 23

* American Baptist Home Mission Society.

† Was absent in Europe for three months vacation.

‡ At New London hall rent costs $15.00 per month and is shared jointly as in other cases.

¶ $340.00 of this was paid by the Hartford Baptist Union.

§ The Italians pay $100.00 in addition.

** Hall rent at $15.00 per month since Sept. 15, 1905. Paid jointly by Convention and A. B. H. M. S.

At Meriden and South Norwalk hall rent is $1.00 per week each and is paid jointly by the Convention and A. B. H. M. Society. Hall rent was paid at Stamford for 5 months of the year amounting to $50.00 and was shared in the same manner.

Voted, That the report of the Board be accepted and adopted.

After singing, "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing," Rev. W. G. Thomas led in a prayer of thanksgiving for the results of the Convention work during the past year.

The Treasurer, W. F. Walker, presented a summary of his report.

Voted, That the report of the Treasurer be accepted and printed in the Annual with the Auditor's certificate after adding all receipts for the current Convention year.

Rev. Henry Clarke, Chairman of the Committee on Nominations presented the following report:

For President, Carnot O. Spencer, Hartford.
For First Vice-President, Charles Edward Prior, Hartford.
For Second Vice-President, William I. Spicer, Noank.
For Secretary, Rev. F. H. Divine, Hartford.
For Treasurer, W. F. Walker, New Britain.
For Auditor, Alfred Spencer, Jr., Hartford.

Voted, That Rev. Henry Clarke be instructed to cast one ballot for the list of officers named. Upon his doing so they were declared elected.

In accepting the position President Spencer said:

When I was first elected to this position I had no idea of serving so long; and I have wondered why you have continued me in this position. I am not fitted to do the work; it is through your kindness and courtesy that I have been able to do the work. I have been helped by the close touch with the Superintendent. I thank the Chairman of the Committee for his kind remarks. I thank you brethren and accept the position for another year.

An offering was received amounting to $42.17. Singing, "So Let Our Lips and Lives."

Rev. Harold Pattison preached the annual sermon.

ABSTRACT OF SERMON.

Theme: "An Object Lesson in God's Providence." Text, Deuteronomy 32:11-12.

This chapter is the Psalm of Moses. Looking back he sees God's dealings with him and sets it forth in a figure made familiar by his shepherd life in Midian—the eagle training her young for flight.

I. *Stirring.* God's love shown in the constant changes in life.

II. *Fluttering.* God's love shown at those times when man cannot by which life is lifted higher.

III. *Bearing.* God's love shown at those times when man cannot help himself for there is nothing he can do.

"Stirring, Fluttering, Bearing,"—and all for what? That the little one may learn to fly alone. That we may learn the truth which shall make us free, the liberty of Christ our Lord.

Rev. Harold Pattison offered prayer.

After singing, "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," Rev. T. E. Brown, D.D., pronounced the benediction, and the Convention adjourned until 2.30 P. M.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

President Spencer called the Convention to order at 2.45 P. M.

Singing, "How Firm a Foundation."

Rev. J. P. Brown, who has attended the Convention for fifty-six years, led in prayer.

The report of the Board was discussed in three addresses.

Rev. T. E. Brown, D.D., discussed "Missions and the Life of the Church."

Missionary action in the church is action that expresses the fundamental of the church. It is the church exercising Christian life. The Church of Christ in the world is the organized expression of the life of Christ in the world. The fundamental principle of Christ's life is *service*. As the churches have entered into this life there is a constant action and reaction; and this action can be traced in the history recorded in the Acts of the Apostles, and also in all church history since the days of the Apostles. There is no motive adequate to gird us for this work except the large motive of the *whole round world* for *Jesus*.

Rev. P. C. Wright spoke of "Connecticut as a Mission Field."

CONNECTICUT AS A MISSION FIELD.

A study of the conditions existing in the state should inspire a missionary spirit in us all.

A careful study of the United States Census of 1900 reveals some interesting and rather startling facts. At that time our population in Connecticut was 908,355. Of that number 238,210 were foreign born. We have about 71,000 Irish born abroad. In 1900 we had 19,105 Italians foreign born. Since then 26,069 more Italians have come to us, making a total Italian population of foreign birth of 45,174. We have 5,330 Austrians, 5,682 Hungarians, 10,698 Poles, 11,404 Russians. 21,501 French. We have 209,006 children of school age. It will be

seen therefore that over 26 per cent. of our population are foreign born and about 23 per cent. are children of school age. Whose children are they? In the United States there are something over 400 children per every one thousand native women of child-bearing age, and something over 700 per every one thousand foreign women of the same age. Connecticut being one of 12 states in the Union having a foreign population of over 200,000, is one of the congested foreign centres. If about 43 per cent. of children throughout the states are born of foreign mothers, then in Connecticut, it is safe to judge that fully 50 per cent. of the children are of foreign mothers. We are not surprised then when the census tells us that we have 520,892 people in whose veins course foreign blood.

Again, let us notice the class of foreigners we are getting. When we look over the list of desirable foreigners, such as the Danes, Norwegians, Swedes, Hollanders, German, Japanese, Scotch, and Welch, we are respectively 16, 23, 10, 25, 17, 21, 10, 23 in the list of states. There is a difference when we come to the undesirable foreigners such as the French Canadian, Hungarian, Irish, Italian, Polish, and Russian. In this list of states we are respectively 7, 6, 7, 7, 5, 8. It will be seen that we are getting more than our share of the undesirable. The Census Office reports that during the last five years about four to one of the Italian immigrants have come from southern Italy and more than half our Italian people have come within the last five years.

Again remember that we have in Connecticut, 41,309 who cannot read and write.

The facts suggest further consideration as to their religious condition. It will be seen at once that the religion of a majority of our foreign population is one of formalism, superstition and ignorance. The Catholic church, wholly categorical in its treatment of sin, cannot appease the consciences of its people. If it holds them at all, it must be through their ignorance and superstition. Our free institutions tend to dispel both, leaving them without strong religious moorings.

These conditions must be met by our native Christian churches. What are their characteristics? Worldliness seems to have laid a strong hold upon them and borne its many fruits. Indifference too largely characterizes their life.

The picture is not dark, however, because God has caused a light to shine from the Cross of Christ which the darkness of ignorance and superstition and sin cannot extinguish.

Singing, "Did Christ over Sinners Weep?"

Rev. Franklin G. McKeever discussed "The Obligation and Opportunity of Connecticut Baptists."

I. *Obligation.*—There is a vast horde of people among us, un-American in sentiment, unevangelical in religion, uncultivated in mind. They come to a people superior morally and intellectually. "The strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak." This applies to the moral sphere, and points toward the neglected also of our own people. None of these will work out their own regeneration, nor must they be abandoned to their lost condition. Not for the sake of the state, nor for their own material advantage, but because they are lost they must be saved. Piety demands this. "Christ pleased not himself." Moral strength must serve moral weakness. Love impels it. Christ's love inspires ours. Man's worth as man invites it. Worldly wisdom repudiates this obligation and sneers at Christ and martyrs and missions.

II. *Opportunity.* Why interfere with these people? Why not let them work out their moral destiny? No nation or individual has ever done this. There is no natural force in unredeemed man that makes for righteousness. There has been moral progress in the world only where Christ has been preached. *Now* is God's time for nations as for individuals. If we cannot save the adults we can rescue and cultivate the children and youth. We must convince them, however, of sin and bring them to Christ. All good else will follow, and will be permanent when they have accepted Him. Men can never be Americanized till they are Christianized. Is there hope of success? Much progress has been made the past year. Encouraging results are shown in the report. Who will measure the patience, fortitude, enthusiasm and sacrifice which have contributed to this.

Singing, "Work for the Night is Coming."

Offering was received, amounting to $24.21.

Under the leadership of Secretary Divine, representatives of the varied work of the Convention spoke of their work.

Rev. B. F. Benoit spoke of the work among the French.

Rev. C. A. Gruhn represented the work for the Germans.

Rev. A. O. Lawrence told of the work for the Swedes.

Rev. A. di Domenica gave an account of Italian missions.

Rev. W. A. Harrod represented the work for the Negroes.

Rev. G. D. Reid told of the needs among the English speaking people.

Mr. W. O. Barnes spoke of the Colportage work.

Rev. A. F. Baker told of evangelistic work.

Rev. A. Roca offered the Lord's prayer in Italian.

Rev. W. G. Thomas, Chairman of the Committee on the State of Religion in the Churches, presented the report which was adopted and ordered printed.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF RELIGION IN THE CHURCHES.

The report of this committee might be made to cover all work attempted or not attempted by all the churches of our denomination in the State. It would be perfectly competent for us to speak of the work of Sunday Schools, Young People's Societies, Home and Foreign missions, as well as Temperance, Evangelism, and even the work of the Board of this Convention. It all comes under "The State of the Churches," for if the Convention fails to accomplish the purpose of its existence, it will not be the fault of the Officers or of the Board, but of the churches. But in mercy to the brethren who have read or may yet read these various reports, in mercy to you who quietly but critically listen to us, and in greater mercy to ourselves, we endeavor not to rehearse what you have heard, good as they have been, nor to forestall the good things you are yet to hear.

We are to report on "The State of the Churches" or "The State of Religion in the Churches." To know the State of Religion in the Churches is beyond the power of the human mind. None but the Omniscient Mind can know the state of one heart, much less of a whole church, and still less of a body of some one hundred and fifty churches. "Thou, even Thou only, knowest the hearts of all the children of men," was a wise conclusion of Solomon.

We may know, however, that the nearer the churches are to the Divine Word in Belief, in Teaching, in Spirit and in Conduct, the better is their state. And if on broad lines we may accept the principle that fruitage is the criterion of judgment, we may safely conclude that the state of the churches has come nearer the ideal during the Convention year now closing than has been sometimes the case. In general, the churches have been at peace among themselves. Dissensions have scarcely been heard of. And the churches generally seem to appreciate those who minister to them in the Lord. Some churches have apparently lost time in being pastorless for lengthy periods. But the churches in the great centres of population have been well manned and show splendid returns. Copious, general and varied blessings have been poured on these churches in response to believing prayer and consecrated energy.

As the other committees will probably present the statistics of the various parts of the work covered by their reports, this committee has endeavored to be as unstatistical as possible, except in the matter of the membership of the churches. It is commonly said that statistics

lie; but the multiplication table does not lie. Would that we could report multiplications this year, instead of additions; and we come very near it in some items. The figures of this year as compared with those of previous years may help to a correct view of the State of the Churches. Last year 11 churches reported 20 or more baptisms each, aggregating 351. This year 19 churches report 20 or more baptisms each, aggregating 677. With scarcely an exception, these churches are located in populous districts.

Last year, these same 19 churches reported baptisms aggregating 253 as against the 677 this year. In this item, we may use the multiplication table; for here is a gain of 170 per cent.

Another set of figures may help us to a view of the state of the churches all over our State, rather than of the few most favored ones:

Total additions by baptism,	1,137
Total other additions,	659
Grand total,	1,796
Total losses (dismission, death, &c.)	1,023
Net gain for the year,	773

These figures, standing by themselves, tell little of the real condition, hence we submit the following comparative table covering the years of the present century:

	1901	1902	1903	1904	1905
No. of churches reporting baptisms,	86	98	83	97	88
Baptisms reported,	652	741	689	900	1,137
Other gains reported,	537	572	629	698	659
Total increase,	1,189	1,313	1,318	1,598	1,796
Total losses,	1,164	1,192	1,039	1,206	1,023
Net increase,	25	121	279	392	773

While there were two years since 1877 that reported a larger number of baptisms, only one of them reported a larger net gain; viz, the year 1894. This year, a smaller number of baptisms are reported from the Ashford and the Hartford Associations than last year. New London Association reports two more. Fairfield, New Haven and Stonington Union report large increases over last year.

While it is not the same churches that report baptisms each year, yet the percentage of churches reporting baptisms has been the same, or nearly so during the past five years. We further find that the same

percentage holds practically through most of the Eastern states; though in the Middle states fewer churches report no baptisms, due somewhat to a newer field, but more likely to be due to their great system of annual "protracted meetings." We may take one hopeful view of the conditions obtaining; viz, that the prosperity is well distributed, and that while the additions have been largely in the populous districts of the State, yet it is by no means a "prosperity in spots." Furthermore, the membership of our churches is larger to-day than ever before, having crossed the 26,000 mark.

The 60 churches reporting no baptisms, and often reporting a decreased membership are for the most part located in the smaller towns and are surrounded by discouraging "fields," where death and removals work havoc among the little flocks. The old population departs. A new population takes its place, which is sometimes an alien one. Still there are souls within reach, but it tries the courage of the stoutest hearts in the pulpit and in the consecrated pew to win them to hear the Gospel, much less to accept it and come into the church. Yet many of our churches that have a population around them report little or no gains. Things have become cold. They live in a spiritually malarial climate. A new pastor goes to them. His soul is afire with the Love and Spirit of Christ. He preaches a true Gospel "publickly and from house to house," but things don't come his way. And one of three things happens. Either he becomes discouraged and "settles down" with and like his discouraged people; or he hies himself to some greener field, and no one can blame him; or he keeps the fire burning and "pegs away at it," is "in season, out of season," and from his soul some other soul catches the fire, and it begins to spread,—a Revival breaks out. Pastors who can bring things to pass on such fields deserve and should have all encouragement possible from this Convention and from the larger churches.

Nor must we always "judge by the outward appearance," remembering that,

> "Faithfulness in the humblest part
> Is better, at least, than proud success,"

No man has seen the returns of his church appear in the Association tables but wished in his heart to make a better showing. A dry baptistry and a decreased membership is a lot no servant of God craves. Doubtless there are cases, however, in the contemplation of which, we should,

> "Thank God for failure, shattered hopes, lost aims,
> And ungained garlands, for He knoweth best.
> 'They also serve who only stand and wait;'
> Perchance they also win who seem to fail;
> God's eye sees clearer than our earth-dimmed sight."

No note of censure can come from this committee upon those who "have toiled all night and have caught nothing." Rather would we sing to them with the poetess of Love and Hope:

"Have you missed your aim? Well, the mark is still shining;
Did you faint in the race? Well, take breath for the next;
Did the clouds drive you back? But see yonder their lining;
Were you tempted and fell? let it serve for a text."

Let us go back, brethren,—both ministers and delegates, to our old fields, and try it all over again. God is still on the giving hand, and does not limit Himself to any one country nor to any one type of fields.

To what may the increased success of this year be attributed? Five elements have had their place: (1) The pastors have tried to set God's valuation on the human soul. They have patiently and deliberately come to the conclusion that the saving knowledge of God can be given to the world only through the church. Two years ago the watchword of this Convention was "Evangelism." Some of us were asking the question, whether it would amount to anything more than talk? But the various Ministers' meetings were turned to prayer meetings for a revival and to considering ways and means for Evangelism. (2) Consecrated members in our churches have been pleading with God in prayer, and laying themselves on God's altar for any service to which He might point them. (3) The Secretary and Evangelist of this Convention have rendered self-sacrificing and untiring services to a large number of churches, and God has marvelously blessed their labors. (4) Wisdom of the Convention in its work for the Foreign population among us. (5) God has, in His great mercy, prompted His people to prayer and effort, and then blessed the effort beyond all it deserved. Is it not cause for deepest gratitude to Him that over 1,100 souls have confessed Him as their Savior? And all this in one year, in one denomination, and in one of the smaller states. And He will do yet more the next year if the churches will only get to the simple conditions. What are they?

1. Let every pulpit be pitched in the shadow of the Cross, and every pew be facing the Crucified Lord.

2. Let there be the humblest dependence on the operations of the Holy Spirit, knowing that He alone can break the "stony heart" or "heal the contrite heart;" and that every convert won is a Divine favor.

3. Let there be no discouragement, knowing that God has never promised to use a discouraged saint, much less a discouraged church.

"Be strong!
We are not here to play, to dream, to drift.
We have hard work to do, and loads to lift.
Shun not the struggle—face it; 'tis God's gift.

"Be strong!
Say not the days are evil—who's to blame?
And fold the hands and acquiese—oh, shame!
Stand up, speak out, and bravely, in God's Name.

"Be strong!
It matters not how deep intrenched the wrong.
How hard the battle goes, the day how long;
Faint not — fight on! To-morrow comes the song."

W. G. THOMAS, *Chairman*
For the Committee.

The Committee on Nomination of Trustees, presented the following report:

For Three Years:—S. O. Preston, Charles A. Benjamin, E. S. Fairchild, Hon. J. L. Howard, Edward Miller, J. H. Messenger, E. G. Sumner, M.D., Hon. L. J. Storrs, A. H. Condell, Rev. W. A. Spinney, Rev. W. H. Mason, D.D., Rev. Harold Pattison, Andrew Thompson.

G. W. NICHOLSON, *Chairman*
For the Committee.

Voted, That the report be accepted and that Rev. D. Thos. MacClaymont cast the ballot for those named; upon his doing so they were declared elected.

After singing "Praise God, from whom all Blessings Flow," the Convention adjourned until 7:15 P. M.

TUESDAY EVENING.

The opening Praise and Devotional Service was in charge of Rev. C. K. Flanders.

After singing "Come, Thou Almighty King," the leader requested the audience to quote passages giving the requests that men made of Jesus.

At 7.30 P. M. President Spencer called the Convention to order. Rev. J. H. Messenger led in prayer.

President Spencer announced the following Committees to report next year:

On Nomination of Trustees — Rev. F. G. McKeever, Rev. E. E. Gates, Rev. O. W. Foye, Rev. W. H. Main, D.D., Dr. E. J. Walker, J. Walter Davis.

On Obituaries — Rev. S. G. Hastings, Rev. T. G. Denchfield, Rev. C. L. Snow, Rev. J. H. Messenger, Rev. E. Dewhurst, Rev. G. F. Genung, D.D.

On Bible Schools — Rev. F. Lent, Rev. W. H. Main, D.D., Rev. O. Haywood, D.D., W. V. Garner, Jr., W. A. Fraser, L. B. Arnold.

On Temperance — Rev. W. V. Gray, Rev. C. L. Chamberlain, B. G Smith, Rev F. D. Elmer, Rev. G. W. Shephard, F. Gallup, G. W. Hull.

On State of Churches — Rev. P. C. Wright, Rev. J. R. Stubbert, C. H. Brown, Rev. W. E. Bates, Rev. H. M. Thompson, E. R. Bennett.

On Home and Foreign Missions — Rev. G. W. Nicholson, Rev. R. C. Hull, Rev. C. M. Reed, Rev. F. L. Brooks, Rev. O. R. O. Farel, Rev. L. Drury.

On Evangelistic Work — Rev. W. A. Spinney, Rev. H. B. Hutchins, Rev. J. E. Klingberg, Rev. C. B. Bolles, Rev. C. L. Snow, Rev. B. F. Benoit.

On New Churches — Rev. C. K. Flanders, Rev. J. B. Connell, Rev. G. C. Chappell, Rev. A. B. Todd, Rev. J. G. Stanton, John Comstock.

Historical Committee—Carnot O. Spencer, Rev. C. A. Piddock, Rev. J. G. Ward, Rev. J. P. Brown, Dea. J. L. Denison, Julius Twiss, A. J. Shipley.

Owing to the enforced absence of President Spencer and both Vice-Presidents, it was *Voted,* That Rev. H. B. Hutchins be the Presiding Officer for the remaining sessions of the Convention.

Rev. R. P. Johnston, D.D., of New York City, spoke on "The Message for the Hour."

Evangelical Christianity is fronting the greatest crisis of history whether we look outward or inward. The incoming foreigners are of three classes, those who are religiously ignorant, those who are non-religious, and those who are openly irreligious; this alone would constitute a great problem. Then there are many who give the church a wide berth. The materialistic spirit of our civilization is brutal and tyrannical. There is a love for money which takes the thought from Christ. We need to meet and overcome all this by a revival of pure religion.

Rev. R. G. Seymour, D.D., of Philadelphia, spoke of "The Need of Aggressive Sunday-School Activity."

He gave four reasons for this necessity. To continue the life of the Sunday-School itself. To stimulate the mental acumen of the young people. To overcome the dearth of Bible knowledge. To reach the homes of the scholars with christian influences.

Singing "Who Follows in His Train?"

An offering was received, amounting to $24.90.

As Chairman of the Committee on Bible Schools, Mr. Giles Potter presented the following report:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BIBLE SCHOOLS.

To the Connecticut Baptist Convention:

Your Committee on Bible Schools presents the following report:

At the time of preparing and arranging material for this report the returns from the churches and associations for the year just closed were not available. Therefore reference is made to the Convention report for the year ending October, 1904, and the reports of former years.

A year ago twelve churches the names of which appear in the Convention reports made no reference in their statistics or otherwise to Bible Schools. Inquiries have been made to ascertain whether or not these churches have Bible Schools. Two of these churches during the year just ended have had such schools, but one of these did not during the previous year. From three of these twelve churches no answers have been received, while the remaining nine give negative answers to our inquiries. None of these churches have a reported resident membership of more than forty. It is doubtful if any of

them have more than twenty-five resident members. They are without pastors and do not appear to have regular services of any kind. It can be said that 138 churches, all that maintain any kind of regular services and report to the Convention, have Bible Schools. Some of these churches maintain mission schools. Most of the statistics relating to these mission schools are combined with the numbers reported as belonging to the church schools. This is the case with the First church of Bridgeport, the First Meriden which maintains two such schools, and the Calvary of New Haven which has two mission departments. There may be some small schools which are not thus reported, but the numbers enrolled in them are not large enough to materially affect the numbers found in the regular annual reports.

With a view of learning something about the membership of these schools, how they are conducted, and what they accomplish, it was decided to ask superintendents, teachers and scholars to answer a few questions. These were sent to a few schools as representative of all. All the members of the committee assisted in this work. The plan was not original with them; its operation and results had been seen by a member of the Committee at a meeting in another state. The plan included sending questions to thirty schools, a list for superintendent, six for teachers and thirty-six for scholars in intermediate and senior classes. This plan completely carried out would have brought answers from thirty superintendents, 180 teachers and 1080 scholars. All the questions were not answered nor were all of the lists returned; but enough have been received to answer our purpose in a general way.

It is not necessary to read the questions, they are implied in the answers and following remarks.

It is not necessary to repeat the statistics given by superintendents, they agree in general with those relating to the same schools as given in the church reports. The hour of meeting with one exception is twelve o'clock noon, one school names one o'clock as the hour of meeting. The system of lessons or lesson helps used are the International and the Bible Study Union. The former is in most general use. One school uses the Bible only in its senior department. We will not occupy space in this report in discussing the relative merits of these two systems. Neither is free from the faults which the advocates of one criticise in the other.

In some of the schools the teachers and officers meet monthly to consider matters relating to the interests of the schools, others as occassions may require. Three only answer that they have teachers' meetings for study of the lessons. But all the teachers who answer, state that they study each lesson from one half hour to five hours. Some say, "All the time I can give to it."

All the teachers answer that they are members of a church, generally of the church where they teach. About seventy-five per cent. of the scholars who answer the question are church members. This percentage includes both the seniors and intermediate departments.

The following are the answers given by the youngest of the scholars who have answered our questions, a child nine years of age. The answers are well written in full, — "I am a Christian, a member of this church. I was converted at the age of nine years. I united with the church at the age of nine years." She also answers that her parents are members of the church, that "she likes to attend the Bible School to learn about Christ." "She studies the lessons at home." Another in the same class but now thirteen years of age, answers that she was converted and united with the church at the age of nine years. A number of older persons answer that they were converted and united with the church at that age. One now seventeen years of age answers that she was converted at the age of five and united with the church at the age of eight years.

In view of facts like these who shall set limits to the relation of childhood to Him who took little children in His arms and blessed them?

To the question, Do you like to attend the Bible School asked in the intermediate classes, all the answers are "Yes," though on a few of the papers the answer is omitted. The reasons given for liking to attend the Bible School are: — "Duty," "I feel it is my duty," "Because you enjoy learning the lesson," "To study God's word," "To hear the teacher explain the Bible," "It helps me through the week," "A good way to spend Sunday," "To study the Bible," "Because I do," "I enjoy the lessons," "Because it is interesting," "Because of habit," "Because I was brought up to it."

It is noticeable that not one gives as a reason for liking to attend the Bible School, that they have social times, excursions, picnics and other amusements. These things are not objectionable, they may properly and profitably have their places in the Bible Schools as in well ordered families, but they should not be allowed to interfere with the proper work of the schools.

A manufacturer of an inferior grade of cloth on being asked if the stock used was pure wool replied, "We have to card in some cotton to hold the wool together, the fibre of our wool is short." If the instruction in the Bible Schools is shoddy, amusements and many things foreign to the purpose of the schools may seem to be necessary to hold the school together. But children as well as adults appreciate good instruction as shown by the answers given above.

Considering these answers it seems rather inconsistent that the question, "Do you study the lessons at home?" is principally answered

in the negative or "Sometimes," "Not always." These are the answers given in intermediate classes. A few answer "Yes," some have not answered this question. In the senior classes the question was "How much time do you give to the study of the lesson?" The answers do not indicate much study. One says "Half an hour," others "Two hours," "Very little," "Sometimes more, sometimes less," "A little every day." The majority have given no answer.

This lack of study is a serious defect in our Bible School system. So called lesson helps do not promote systematic study, if any study at all. In the report of the Committee of this Convention on Bible Schools presented in 1903, is the following expression in which this committee concurs. "We are of the opinion that if all "helps now in the market were consigned to the archives of misdirected effort, and teachers should return to the original custom of teaching the Bible for greater knowledge of the Word would be had and better results every way would be realized."

At any rate every member of every class should be the owner of a Bible or Testament, and be impressed with the truth that the Bible, not the "lesson help" is the textbook to be studied.

There is occasion for saying that, for some years past, our Bible schools have not received the attention which their importance demands; though the President of the Convention in his addresses has commended them to our consideration, and the Committees on Bible Schools have emphasized his appeals.

In 1894 the reported number of church members was 24,135; in 1904, 25,548; increase 1,413. In 1894, the number reported enrolled in the Bible Schools was 19,401; in 1904, 18,186; decrease 1,215. That is while in ten years the membership of the churches increased 1,413, the members enrolled in the Bible Schools decreased 1,215. The average attendance decreased in about the same ratio, 1,102. From 1903 to 1904 the Bible Schools made a gain both in enrollment and in average attendance, but not sufficient to overcome the loss of the preceding year.

In this connection it may be well to consider that, in the ten years from 1890 to 1900, the population of the State increased 122,162. The annual enumeration of children over four and under sixteen years of age for school purposes, show that from October 1894 to October 1904 the increase in the number of such children was 44,628, a number equal to about two and one half times the entire number last reported in our Bible schools, including adults as well as children.

It may be said that these enumerated children are largely of foreign birth or foreign parentage. We are sending missionaries and teachers far away to other countries to instruct children of foreign birth and foreign parentage, and shall we overlook those in our streets; may be

playing on the steps of our churches?. The public schools may fit them in a measure to be American citizens. The Bible schools should make them Christian citizens and members of our churches.

Besides the decrease in the numbers in our Bible schools there are other facts which show that these schools are not engaging the attention of the churches, of the Association, and of this Convention, as they did in former years. Our president in his address in 1901 said, "It is to be regretted that the Sunday-school work of the Convention has lapsed into such a state of desuetude. Many of us remember that it formed a distinctive and prominent part of our efforts, and that some years ago it was successfully prosecuted." There was also a Bible School Association somewhat distinct from the Convention which awakened interest and imparted information which had a beneficial influence. There were also Associations covering the territory of the Associations of Churches. The New Haven Baptist Bible School Association was begun in 1876. Two years later it took on active and aggressive form, held numerous meetings especially with the smaller schools, and published a paper quarterly, giving items of interest from the different schools with "Rolls of Honor" which had decided effect in promoting enrollment and regular attendance in the schools. There were also The Hartford and Fairfield Associations which, by their meetings and published reports, increased the interest and growth of the schools thus united. These Associations were discontinued or lapsed some years ago.

Three such Associations still continue and recently held their annual meetings. These meetings are interesting and profitable for the associated schools.

The Connecticut Sunday School Association, combining in the prosecution of Sunday-school work all the denominations disposed to unite, does not appear to be as active and efficient as it was in former years.

The numbers added to the churches from the Bible schools are confidently referred to by many as proof of their evangelizing power. Doubtless the Bible schools exert great influence in that direction. But other influences are working on the same minds and hearts, the sermons and social interviews of pastors, the words spoken in prayer meetings, the Young People's Societies, and home influences and examples.

The number reported in 1894 as added to the churches from the Bible schools was 771. This number has not been equaled in any year since. The next largest was in the following year, the number being 564. Last year the number was not given in the Convention reports as some of the churches had omitted these numbers in their returns if they had any to report.

There are indications that the number for the year just closed will equal or excede that of 1894.

The fact that so many persons from the Bible schools are added to

the churches should not be regarded, as it sometimes appears to be, as evidence that these schools are good enough, and that no greater efforts are needed to promote them. But rather the fact that these converts are in the churches imposes great responsibilities on the schools to give them such instruction as shall fit them for the service of the churches and for the kingdom of Heaven.

There are some indications of improvement. Last year the trustees of the Convention told us in their annual report that a State evangelist and Bible school worker had been engaged, and that the Bible schools were providing upwards of $700.00 for his support. It may be that the increase of enrollment and attendance in the schools during the year ending October 1904 were due to this effort. If so, and this last year shows a like or better result, let us be thankful and renew our courage and activity in this direction.

The Bible schools are often spoken of as the right arm of the churches. If the arms become weak and flabby or rheumatic they can not be healed and made strong and vigorous by liniments and lotions, plasters and bandages, but must be supplied with pure blood made to flow through their arteries and veins by the pulsations of hearts animated by love of Christ and quickened by a realizing sense of the importance of the work to be done.

GILES POTTER, *Chairman,*
For the Committee.

Voted, That the report be adopted and printed in the Annual.

Singing "The Church's one Foundation Is Jesus Christ."

After prayer in which Rev. P. C. Wright led the congregation, the Convention adjourned until 9 A. M. Wednesday.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

The Convention reassembled at 9:10 A. M. Rev. H. B. Hutchins was in the chair.

After Singing "Come Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove," Rev. O. G. Buddington read Psalm 103, and led in prayer.

In the absence of the Chairman of the Committee on New Churches, Rev. F. H. Divine stated that these churches had been received into the various Associations of the State and moved that they be admitted into the fellowship of the Convention, as follows: The Tabernacle Baptist Church of Waterbury, (Swedish), the Church at Banksville, (transferred from New York), and the Third Baptist Church of Suffield. It was so voted.

Rev. F. H. Divine made a verbal report for the Historical Committee. President Spencer has begun to prepare the history, but has not been able to complete it.

Voted, That the present Historical Committee be continued for another year.

Rev. J. H. Messenger presented the report of the Committee on Home and Foreign Missions.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The report of your Committee is based on letters sent to the 120 Pastors of the State. From this number replies were received from nearly 75, so that the report is fairly representative of the Missionary interest among our people. A word of appreciation should, at the outset, be spoken of the pains taken by so many to answer these enquiries and the detail which characterizes many of the answers. Your Committee desires here to record its gratitude to the Pastors in thus aiding in making this report, and so far as the report has value, the credit is due the Pastors rather than your Committee. The replies to this circular letter are the more remarkable as no two cent stamp was enclosed as courtesy demands. The omission was not due to forgetfulness however on the part of the Committee, but entirely to the fact that, the letter being sent out just before we returned from our vacation, there were not 120 two cent stamps left in the Committee's joint exchequer. The letter asked eight questions and the replies are summarized as follows:

I. *The first question was*—"In your Church to which is more attention given, Home or Foreign Missions, and to which do you think the chief attention should be given?" The answers bear witness in their uniformity to the fact that the great commission of our Lord is understood well by our Churches as represented by our pastors. Equal attention should be given to each. The words of I Samuel 30:24 find their echo among our Connecticut hills—"But as his part is that goeth

down to the battle, so shall his part be that tarrieth by the stuff: they shall part alike." It should be remembered however, that equal attention does not mean that one should not be more emphasized than the other. Home Missions because of its very nearness has appeals constantly presented that he who runs may read, and Foreign Missions must therefore in many places be given the greater attention to give it the proper balance in the scales. Foreign missions also as representing the larger field necessarily warrants a larger generosity than the nearer and smaller area. The field is the world, and every inch of that field must be given its proper care. Thus in a sense foreign Missions come first and rightly so. This is recognized by our Churches, and the larger field is receiving, as should be expected, the larger place in prayer and care. In this connection it is gratifying to learn the greater place many of our Churches are giving to the needs of our own State work, and no little of this hopeful sign is due to the constant presentation of our needs by our Superintendent of Missions, and the interest awakened by the services conducted by our State Evangelist.

II. *The second question contained in the letter asked*—"What is your method for taking offerings for Home and Foreign Missions, and what improvements can you suggest?" Every variety of method in gathering offerings is shown to have place among us. Some of our Churches take collections annually, some quarterly, some monthly, and an increasing number weekly. From all quarters comes the one testimony that the weekly system is best, envelopes for every Sunday of the year being furnished by the church and placed in the offering on Sunday. This does not disallow annual subscriptions where that method is preferred, but it does away with the risk of a depleted offering owing to a rainy Sunday, and it allows our people to give more than they otherwise would feel they could afford, for ten cents a week means more than five dollars a year. And those who now give this sum or more by the weekly system would heretofore have considered a far less sum their proper allowance if given at one time. Giving so that you do not feel it is not the ideal in Christian benevolence but it has its advantages in this human and exceedingly practical world. The answers to this question further indicate the wisdom of announcing the annual offering, where this is taken in connection with the weekly system, for the benefit of those who still cling to the old methods and for the floaters who are in all our congregations, at least two weeks in advance. A letter written by the Pastor explaining the needs and the value of the work, and sent to every member before the weekly pledges are made is found to greatly increase the amounts received. In some of our churches there is a personal solicitation made for the offerings and we are convinced of the efficacy of such a plan. A call from a fellow member, who must be himself a liberal giver, is worth a dozen letters sent with the same purpose. The answers also

show us that, where the annual offering alone is still persisted in, there is a great loss for the objects specified. "The weekly envelope system is ideal" is the universal testimony.

III. *The third question asked was*—"Is the amount of these offerings increasing or diminishing, and how general is the giving?—i. e., Is a large part of the total amount contributed by a few well-to-do members?" While a large number of churches report that the amount given for Home and Foreign Missions is decreasing, and some others report that the contributions for these objects remain about the same from year to year, still in the majority of our Churches the contributions are decidedly on the increase. In too many instances the majority of the people are quite content to let a few do the larger part, yet generally these few are not those rich in this world's goods, but the poor who give out of all proportion to the rich. Those churches where there is constant effort made to get every member to become a contributor make the best showing in reply to this question.

IV. *The fourth question brings us to a real lack in our Connecticut Churches. The question is*—"Do you have a monthly or other regular Missionary meeting of your Church? If so, what is your method of conducting it? Please mention any features that you have introduced into such a meeting which have proved valuable in increasing the interest?" The answers record much confession and also much suggestion. Many Pastors report that they do not hold such meetings, declare in many cases their resolve to amend their ways in this particular, and are exceedingly obliging in recommending various devices for increasing interest in the meetings which they have not held. In all the State, so far as heard from, there are only 13 churches which hold a regular monthly Missionary meeting. It should be noted, however, that nearly all our churches have Woman's or Young People's Societies who do have regular missionary meetings. But we believe that a general meeting for the entire church, held not less often than once a month, should be part of every church's program for the year. Such meetings are often dry but there is no need that such should be the case, and, with thorough planning, such a meeting we confidently believe can be made the best meeting of the month. Among the many agencies for making the Missionary meeting a good one, the Stereopticon may be mentioned. Such an instrument is now a necessary part of any up-to-date church. Our Missionary Union has sets of slides with accompanying lectures which may be had for such occasions for a merely nominal sum. Papers on missionary subjects carefully prepared beforehand, have been found valuable. Sometimes an address by the Pastor on some Missionary or Missionary field is best. Sometimes the meeting may be given entirely to prayer with most profit. The literature published by both our Home and Foreign Societies, as well as kindred literature of the Baptist Young People's

Union, will be found suggestive and help in giving variety to such a meeting. A plan that has been found to work excellently is the following: Divide the world into ten convenient sections. Assign a section to each one of a missionary committee of ten persons. Let each keep track of his own territory noting from the daily as well as the religious press any current events of the month. Then let each report at the general missionary meeting. Whatever form the meeting takes it should rarely be of the same character for two consecutive months. Home Missions, Foreign Missions, State Missions, City Missions, should all be given a place on the year's programme. And, above all, the reading of extracts and clippings from newspapers should be barred. Nothing will kill a missionary meeting quicker than the reading of such material. Let everything be spoken not read, let proper work be done beforehand, and the monthly missionary meeting will become not an event to be shunned but eagerly anticipated.

V. *In answer to the fifth question*—"How frequently do you preach on these subjects," the information is gained that our Pastors generally proclaim Missions just before the offerings are taken, and at such other times as "the Spirit moves me," says one, and "as I feel like it" says another, and we are unable to suppress a suspicion that these two phrases are merely the pious and the secular way of saying the same thing. But perhaps that is often enough and our Pastors are certainly not forgetful of this important part of their duty. Many of the replies state that, beside the formal sermons on such subjects, the Pastors preach missionary sermons twice every Sunday because in every sermon they make "general allusions." We have wondered in some cases if the word sought for in this connection was not hallucination rather than allusion. However this may be, all our Pastors will feel sympathy with one of their number who writes—"I do not preach on these subjects as often as I wish but often enough to suit the complacent."

VI. *"Is any member of your church laboring either on the foreign field or under the auspices of the Home Mission Society?"* This question brings to light the fact that Connecticut has several names to be thus enrolled. Miss Bond in Burma, Peter Frederickson in India, Miss Preston in Madras, Arthur F. Smith in India, Dr. Lynch in Africa, Miss L. I. Duckworth in India, Rev. J. F. Smith, India, and to this list we add the name of the Rev. Philip S. Evans, for many years the beloved Secretary of this Convention, for though under no official appointment, yet he could not live, even in China, without being busy in the work we love him for so well performing not many years ago among us.

VII. *The next question was this*—"Have you ever tried having your own foreign representative on the field?" The replies show that only two of our Churches support their own missionary. But many

support such missionaries in part, and many of the organizations connected with our churches do the same. In the list we note—Bible woman in China, Missionary in Alaska, Indian student, native helpers, missionary to the Philippines, and mission worker in the City of Mexico, as well as a vessel that preaches the gospel on the high seas. With scarce an exception the Pastors endorse this plan and declare there is nothing like it for maintaining a sustained interest.

VIII. *The last question was*—"Please mention anything which your experience has found valuable in arousing and maintaining interest, and increasing contributions to Home and Foreign Work." In part this question has already been answered in the consideration of questions 2 and 4. Several of our Pastors treat somewhat lightly this query. One replies (He is from New Haven) "Give us more tainted money." Another (also from New Haven) "Go on I've troubles of my own." The English hardly strikes us as that of Yale College. Still another (and he, too, from New Haven) says "Shut up Savin Rock." We have not time to give our attention to such matters demanding, in the last instance at least, a knowledge of geology that we do not possess. But other suggestions are worthy of note: "Train the children," says one, and there we believe the root of the whole matter lies. Work with the children pays many per cent. more than work with adults, and the sooner we learn this open secret of the aggressive power of the Roman Catholic Church, the sooner will our Lord's commission become a completion. "Keep at it, that's all," says another. "Appeals for money for such causes increase interest," says a third. And many beside join in the opinion of one of our Pastors, "A real live Missionary beats everything else with us." So say we all of us. Let it be remembered then that the field is the world, and that Connecticut is by no means the whole of it. For broader conceptions, wider sympathies, more explicit obedience to the marching orders of our Captain we in His name plead, a conception, a sympathy, an obedience which are all needed if we are to read aright the first and last report on Home and Foreign missions, namely, "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth."

HAROLD PATTISON, *Chairman.*
For the Committee.

Voted, That the report be accepted, adopted, and ordered printed in the Minutes.

As Chairman of the Committee on Temperance Rev. H. B. Hutchins presented the following report.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

An examination of previous reports leads your Committee to suspect that their predecessors have not always found it easy to discover the precise point of attainment between the report on temperance and the specific work of the Convention. This is due, we are confident, not to any lack of interest in the Temperance Cause as such. On the contrary it seems that the specific aim which originally inspired the creation of the Committee on Temperance has been largely achieved. We need not now to commit Pastors, Churches and the Convention to taking positive stand on the temperance question. Temperance, total abstinence, is the creed of every Baptist pastor, and every Baptist Church in the State. Your Committee would offer the following suggestions:

1. Although it is not in accord with our policy for Baptist Churches to enter the political arena as churches, we recognize that it is the duty of every Christian citizen to give his unqualified support to every measure calculated to curb the power of the drink traffic.

2. The drink problem is primarily an ethical problem. Political and social reform cannot of themselves make men temperate. Temperance is one of the fruits of the spirit, one of the manifestations of the Christian life. Hence, the only surely effective agency for the eradication of intemperance is the efficient proclamation of that Gospel which is the salvation of the whole man. The revival for which we pray cannot fail to aid the cause of temperance.

3. Merely formal action tends to injure rather than aid the cause in whose interest it is taken. Hence, it appears to your Committee that it would be rather to the advantage of the temperance cause than otherwise if reports on this subject were made occasional rather than habitual dealing with specific phases of this problem as they shall, from time to time, emerge.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT B. HUTCHINS, *Chairman.*
For the Committee.

Voted, That the report be accepted, adopted, and ordered printed in the Annual.

Voted, That the report of the Obituary Committee be accepted, without reading to the Convention, and ordered to be printed in the Annual, and that a few minutes be spent in prayer for the bereaved families and churches. Rev. P. C. Wright and Rev. L. Drury led in prayer.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES.

Rev. Thomas L. Crocker was born in Petersburg, Va., June 6, 1858, and died in New London, March 7, 1905. He was converted at the age of sixteen years, and removed to Providence in 1881, where he was deacon of the Congdon Street Church, superindendent of the Sunday School and a member of the choir. He was licensed by that Church, and gathered a congregation in Pawtucket. The mission has become a vigorous church. For the last eleven years, he labored with Shiloh Church, New London, and by them was called to ordination. In impaired health he met with us last year. A widow and nine children mourn their loss.

Rev. A. H. Simons died in New York February 3, at the home of his son-in-law, Prof. Herbert L. Osgood, of Columbia University. He was born in Sandisfield, Mass., Nov. 25, 1831, converted in 1849 and baptized by Rev. David Avery. He was licensed by the church in Colebrook, Rev. J. F. Temple, pastor. He was educated at Hamilton Seminary and received ordination in 1857 at Lanesboro, Mass. He served continuously forty years as a pastor, at Stepney, Branford and Montowese, in this State, and at Agawam, Mass., and Pownal, Vermont. His last pastorate was one of ten years at Montowese, where he had also been in charge a number of years before, April 1867 to April 1874. Being unable the last eight years to serve in the regular pastorate, he was a Godly and spiritually helpful member of the Washington Heights Church, New York.

Rev. Geo. Stephen Goodspeed, Ph. D., who died of pneumonia at his home in Chicago, February 17, aged forty-five, was at one time in charge of Calvary Church Mission, New Haven, now the Howard Avenue Church. He was son of Rev. Edgar J. and nephew of Rev. Thomas W. Goodspeed.

The Second Church, Bridgeport, makes special mention of Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, a constituent member, a Bible-class teacher, and beloved by all. The Second Church, Danbury, tenderly notes the death of Miss Harriet R. Vail, who was over ninety, and had been one of their members seventy-five years, also that of George Washington, whose steadfast faith was an inspiration to all. Easton has lost Mary E. Bradley, a member over fifty years, who bequeathed to the church $1,000. White Hills parted with two aged saints, Levi Rounds, ninety-five, and Mrs. Betsy Hubbell, long an invalid.

Clarissa Lydia Foote, widow of Isaac Palmer Leete, M. D., was eighty-four years old and a member in Branford, where she died.

Geo. A. Bogart had been a member at Chester since 1868, and served as trustee, assistant deacon, and for over thirty years as chorister. Deep River has parted with Jairus L. Moore, aged ninety-four, Mrs. Azubah Parker, aged eighty-nine, widow of a deacon, and

Mrs. Ann Saunders, aged eighty-nine. Essex notes the deaths of Mrs. Gurdon H. Post, aged fifty-six, a member forty-two years, intensely interested in every phase of church life and work and active in all its various societies and organizations; Wm P. Sisson, eighty-five, member sixty-three years; Levi R. B. Post, eighty-six, member fifty-two years; Wm. C. Hough, sixty-nine, member fifty years, Mrs. Esther Waterhouse, eighty-eight, member sixty-two years; Mrs. Jane Keyes, sixty-seven, member forty-three years; Emily Hoadley, member forty-two years; and Mrs. Sophronia Tucker, seventy-four, member twenty-two years. Haddam records Sister Stein, Cynthia Shailer, Adrian Shailer and Dea. Geo. Brooks. Middletown has lost nine, including Mrs. Dora Scovell, President of the W. C. T. U., teacher in the Bible school, earnest and loyal worker in all church and temperance circles; Jane, wife of Rev. H. A. Morgan, known for her beautiful Christian spirit; Mrs. Chas. Newell, wife of one of the senior deacons and a person of rare skill and culture; Mrs. Elizabeth Hedges, aged ninety-one, the oldest member, died after nearly sixty-five years of most devoted service; and Margaret, widow of Dea. Kincaid, nearly fifty-eight years a member.

Calvary Church, New Haven, has had a few deaths, among them Wm. E. McBride, Mrs. Danforth O. Lombard and Albert H. Alling. Of those in the First Church, Charlotte L. Strong, aged seventy-two, had been a member since 1863; James C. Turner, aged seventy-six, was an invalid, greatly beloved; Mary E., widow of Nehemiah Bristol, had been a member since 1865; Miss Nellie V. Patterson, aged forty-four, was a member nearly thirty-three years; Maj. Benj. E. Brown, aged fifty-nine, a native of England and a veteran of the Civil War, was a member forty-six years; and Miss Martha M. Dudley, aged fifty-six, was for many years a highly esteemed member. Grand Avenue Church has lost Mrs. Rebecca Bronson, aged ninety-seven, and Dea. Henry Barnes, a constituent member. Howard Avenue has parted with Dea. Maurice D. Parmelee, aged seventy-four, Cordelia Ann, widow of James Harvey Miner, aged seventy-one, and Francis Ford Flanders, the pastor's son, whose sudden end caused profound sympathy.

Southington has lost Mrs. Eunice Atkins Neal, who joined by letter in 1855. Wallingford, Mrs. Edwin Hobson, aged seventy-nine a member thirty-eight years; Temperance McKenzie, aged eighty-seven, an active temperance worker; and Oliver W. Spencer, aged seventy-seven, a faithful member fifty-three years. The Second Church, Waterbury, notes the deaths of Mrs. Ann Eliza Pierpont and Mrs. C. H. Gough, wife of Dea. Gough. Week before last, the New Haven Association met with that church, and among the attendants was David Gustavus Porter of the First Church. The following Saturday he died very suddenly of apoplexy, aged seventy-three years. He was a gra-

duate of Yale College, classmate of President Strong of Rochester, and was at one time professor of Latin in the University of Rochester. He was a valued attendant at the New Haven Baptist Ministers' Conference and contributed several papers to it.

Sarah A., widow of Rev. C. N. Nichols of Andover, has entered into rest, also Sarah Searls of Brooklyn, Mrs. Sophia Peck Gurley of Willington, deaconess a number of years and one of the founders of the Sunday-school in South Willington, and Allen Tyler Bixby of East Thompson, Sunday-school superintendent nineteen years, church clerk and treasurer sixteen years and deacon ten years.

Thaddeus H. Spencer and Newton Stoughton Pomeroy were members of the Second Church, Suffield. Mr. Spencer was eighty years old and had spent his life in his native town, excepting three years in Brooklyn, N. Y. He graduated at the Connecticut Literary Institution in 1842, and was its treasurer thirty-three consecutive years. He was associated in business with his brothers, I. Luther and Calvin C. Spencer, and was in the Legislature in 1871. He leaves a noble record. Mr. Pomeroy passed his life in Suffield, except six years in central Illinois and two in Brooklyn, N. Y. He was for more than fifteen years associated in business with I. Luther Spencer. Mr. Pomeroy was postmaster, member of the Legislature, belonged to the Second Church fifty-seven years, sang in the choir twenty years, was its leader eleven years, and church treasurer many years. His life was full of kindness and good works.

Miss Fanny G. Haven, aged seventy-five, was a member of Huntington Street Church, New London, from early life. Her Sunday-school class were all brought to Christ through her instrumentality. Emily Elizabeth, widow of Thos. W. Wheeler, aged seventy-seven, was a devoted member of the Third Church, North Stonington, and one of its most helpful workers for sixty years. She willed $2,500 worth of property to the church. Mrs. Eunice E. B. Turner, was for fifty-three years a consistent member of the Second Church, North Stonington. Harriet N., wife of Capt. Nathaniel Holloway, was eighty and a consistent member of the First Church, Groton, since 1835. Sally Holmes, aged eighty-seven, was one of the oldest members of the First Church, Stonington. Mrs. Charlotte Pratt of Voluntown, an invalid many years, never lost interest in the church.

Amy J., wife of Dea. Peleg Kinney, was ever abiding in Christ; Mrs. Mary A. Stanton, ninety-two, was a member more than sixty years and daughter of Rev. E. Chesebro; Ezra L. Palmer often walked four miles to enjoy the services; Nelson Packer, ninety-one, had been a faithful member at Preston sixty-three years. Mrs. Phebe Coe, eighty-nine, was always interested in the Groton Heights Church. Ade-

LAIDE, WIFE OF DEA. R. P. SAWYER, was a valued member at Noank. Third Church, Stonington, reports the death of ELIZA FREEMAN, over fifty years a member.

May God speak comfort to the many stricken homes and raise up new soldiers of Christ to fill the rapidly depleting ranks.

DRYDEN W. PHELPS, *Chairman.*
For the Committee.

Voted, That the Chair appoint a Committee of three to co-operate with the National Committee on Christian Stewardship.

The Chair appointed Rev. W. A. Spinney, Rev. A. E. Harris and Rev. H. E. Wise.

Voted, That the President be authorized to appoint ten delegates to the General Convention of American Baptists to be held in 1906, and that the Chairman of the delegation have authority to fill any vacancy that may occur therein.

After prayer by Rev. H. E. Wise, the Convention adjourned until 2.30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

The Convention reassembled at 2.30 P. M. Rev. H. B. Hutchins in the chair.

Singing "Lord of All Being."

Prayer was offered by Rev. H. B. Hutchins.

Rev. W. A. Spinney presented the following report for the Committee on Resolutions.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That, with profound gratitude to God, we acknowledge his manifold benedictions upon our work during the year. The splendid achievements in soul winning, rare devotion and selfsacrifice on the part of the toilers, and freedom from debt inspire us to larger efforts and more intelligent giving as stewards of God.

Resolved, That we express our sincere appreciation of the splendid spirit of co-operation as represented in the joint effort of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, the American Baptist Public Society,

and our Connecticut Baptist Convention for the salvation of all the people; the Home Mission Society in generous gifts toward church edifice and missionary service; the Public Publication Society in the gift of Colportage Wagon No. 51, and the Churches in support of all.

Resolved, That there is an increasing need of Evangelism and this in view of the splendid work of the past year. Though your Committee is not in possession of the secret as to how Evangelism may be universally operated in our State, yet we do earnestly recommend that the pastors of contiguous fields meet for the consideration of more effective Evangelism, that the pastors combine for a series of services, appointing one of their number to lead in such preparation, as may be necessary to prepare the churches for further helpful work, seeking the supplemental aid of our General Evangelist, Rev. Cornelius Woelfkin, D.D.

Resolved, That we cooperate in the endeavor to form an "All New England Conference" of our Young People.

Resolved, That we heartily commend to our pastors and others the necessity of a course of Bible study, also a course on Baptist principles, history and missions.

Resolved, That, in view of the supreme importance of larger and more efficient work in our Bible schools, that we recommend a careful and prayerful consideration with reference to the securing a Sunday School missionary for the State, one who shall move hither and thither throughout the State inspiring, encouraging and instructing for better work, larger and more daring effort for men, women and children in our commonwealth, that the whole Church may form the constituency of our Bible schools. Finally, that we commend the use of the Bible in place of the lesson leaflets in the Bible school exercises.

Resolved, That we hereby express our hearty thanks to the Main Street Baptist Church, and the other Baptist Churches of this city, and the brethren at Yalesville, for their whole hearted hospitality.

Resolved, That we hereby acknowledge our indebtedness to the railroad for reduction in fares, and for the favorable attitude of the local press in reporting the doings of the Convention.

W. A. SPINNEY, *Chairman.*
For the Committee.

Voted, That the report be accepted and printed in the Minutes.

Rev. T. E. Brown, D.D., presented the report of the Committee on Place and Preacher, as follows:

Place to be secured by the the Executive Committee.
Preacher — Rev. P. C. Wright.
Alternate — Rev. J. A. Elder.

Voted, That the report be accepted.

Rev. W. H. Main, D.D., presented the report of the Evangelistic Committee:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISTIC WORK.

Eighty-nine churches report an aggregate of 1137 baptisms. Sixty churches report no baptisms. The churches reporting more than twenty baptisms each are as follows:

First, Waterbury,	78
Jewett City,	70
Calvary, New Haven,	59
Noank,	53
Second, Danbury,	52
South Norwalk,	46
Central, Norwich,	33
First, Stamford,	29
Main Street, Meriden,	28
First, New London,	26
Montville,	24
Howard Ave., New Haven,	24

Immanuel, Bridgeport, Bristol, Southington, and Huntington St., New London, and Middletown report 23 each; First, Bridgeport, and First, New Haven, report 20 each.

The report by associations is as follows:

	Baptisms.	Other additions.	Net gain
Ashford,	41	30	17
Fairfield,	242	131	266
Hartford,	159	165	113
New Haven,	382	255	207
New London,	152	51	50
Stonington Union,	161	57	120
Total	1137	689	773

The Swedish church of Waterbury has been organized this year, and this accounts for 50 of the dismissions, and requires the addition of 50 to the net gain of that Association, and also to the grand total.

Upon the statements of the pastors, 349 of the baptisms for the year are due to Convention work.

State Secretary Divine, during the year, has conducted special meetings as follows:

North Lyme	4 days,	resulting	in	3	baptisms
Noank	2 weeks,	"	"	20	"
Moosup	2 "	"	"	3	"
East Lyme	2 "	"	"	15	"
Essex	2 "	"	"	1	"
South Norwalk	2 "	"	"	15	"

Making a total of 57 baptisms

State Evangelist Baker has held special meetings of two weeks or more in the following places:

Sterling,	resulting	in	1 baptisms
Cheshire,	"	"	4 "
Olivet, New Haven,	"	"	18 "
South Norwalk,	"	"	25 "
Plantsville,	"	"	2 "
Olive Branch, Meriden,	"	"	1 "
Bozrah, (no pastor), Stafford,	"	"	1 "
3rd North Stonington Montville,	"	"	24 "
Main St., Meriden,	"	"	32 "
Southington,	"	"	23 "
Middletown,	"	"	2 "
Memorial, Hartford,	"	"	16 "

Making a total of 149 baptisms.

Besides these, about 50 joined churches of other denominations.

Of course these figures do not begin to show the good done by these special efforts.

One pastor, and surely he but voices the sentiment of the rest, after mentioning the conversions, speaks of the general uplifting of the church and community.

Among other things, he mentions the upbuilding of the church and the quickening of its life, a returning faith in evangelists, a new resolve to support the evangelistic work of the Convention, and then speaks in the highest terms of the work and methods of Brother Baker.

So much for the details of the report.

May we now be permitted to make some general statements?

The Connecticut Field.

Connecticut has become one of the greatest of fields for evangelization. By evangelization we mean converting to Christianity.

To save the lost Jesus Christ came to the world and died on the Cross. "For the Son of man is come to save that which was lost." We cannot magnify too much the importance of developing Christian character, but do we magnify enough the work of leading men to Christ for salvation? The diamond must be dug from the earth before it is polished and the gold must be mined before it can be refined. We believe the great need of this hour is an especial effort to evangelize the people in our community. God has made the church a lighthouse to guide men to the harbor of safety. We are persuaded that men know the way of salvation, but do not know Him, our Lord. They come to church often, but have hardened towards the gospel. They know but they will not. Society will never be saved from the great evils of to-day except as the individual member of society is saved. Hand-picking is the best way to get good fruit.

The problem of how to reach the masses, will be solved when we learn how to reach the individual. Now we do not claim that the success of a church should be gauged by additions, but with such grand opportunities are we doing our best? It does seem that one great overwhelming desire ought to possess Christian people, and that, to lead to Christ our great unsaved population. We have in America millions of foreigners and their children, and foreigners are not the only ones who need saving, either. The need is very great; what are we doing to meet it? A very distinguished preacher recently preached in a certain city, and the morning paper said: "He took it for granted that there were no sinners present." And yet the most attractive theme of to-day is the gospel of the Son of God.

Some things are essential to evangelization. 1st — *The pulpit on fire with Evangelical truth.* To stand between God and humanity ought to make any man earnest, prayerful and humble. Each preacher ought to be an evangel giving to the world the glad tidings. Paul felt himself called on to deliver the good news, not in wisdom of discourse lest the cross of Christ should be made void.

Have we outlived the truth, "Ye must be born again?" Now truth has relative value. "In those days there were giants," is a truth, but we need take but little time to prove it, for when you have proved it, you gain but little, but, "All have sinned and come short of the glory of God," is an important matter, and when you have proved it, you may have led a man to "the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world."

Men like to be honestly dealt with. They never respect a man who is afraid to preach his own convictions. With Paul can we not say "I

am determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ and Him crucified?" What a theme! Jesus the Christ! It has been the song of poets; the inspiration of prose, the climax of oratory. He stands as the one conspicuous character of history — the greatest moulder of thought, the highest type of manhood. Artists have painted, singers have sung books have been written, but we have touched only the "hem of his garment."

Power comes from the Holy Spirit, but waiting for power before we begin work, is a great mistake. If we have power enough to begin with, let us begin. Power will come as we need it.

Some men have been waiting for the baptism of the Holy Spirit for years. They will never get any more until they use what they have. Oh! for a pulpit on fire with evangelistic truth. Man lost — Christ can save! Thunder it out o'er and o'er, until men be compelled to heed. We don't need drawing ministers half so much as we need to hold up the drawing Christ, who said, "And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto Me."

Power! it is ours if we want it. We have now the Holy Spirit as was promised. Preach not without Him, but wait not for special manifestations. Such come only to those doing their best.

In evangelization we need, 2dly — *A people who realize that the world is the field — and that the church is the enlisting office for service.* We are saved that we may serve. Pastors never change fields — they change headquarters. "The field is the world" will certainly sound familiar to those who read the Bible. What is the present situation? Many come to church if they like the preacher, if they do not they stay at home. As if Christian responsibility ceased at the disinclination of the Christian. Selfishness is the root of all such inactivities.

"He died for all that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto Him." What is the ideal? All Christians in the Christian ministry. A little comma hath done us much harm. We read it this way, "And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints," and here some one put a comma, "for the work of the ministry for the edifying of the body of Christ." We generally read it as if the gist of the matter was, that He gave apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers, for the work of the ministry. This is true, but there is more of it. Suppose we read it this way, "And He gave some indeed as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists and some as shepherds and teachers; *with a view of perfecting the saints for work of ministry, for an upbuilding of the body of Christ, until we all advance into the oneness of faith.*"

We, of course, believe that God calls some men to give their whole time to preaching the gospel and that He intends those who preach the gospel thus to live by the gospel and not engage in any other

work. So we believe he calls men to a business life, and both are sacred callings. But we shall never win the world to Christ until we realize that the preaching of the gospel can be done by the saints, *and it is their calling.* They are in trade to pay expenses, their business is to serve God. We need a consecrated ministry no more than we need a consecrated laity.

The work of any church could be increased many times if the people would go to preaching the truth. We, (the people of God) are a royal priesthood, each church member a preacher in the home, in the store, in the shop.

Even with these two ideals reached, we need 3dly, — *Special revival meetings in which we labor for the salvation of souls.* It is too late to apologize for revivals. The church is born anew in revivals. Let all the services, for at least a month before, lead up to the one thought, the saving of souls. Let the Pastor become the evangelist. Let us have an after-meeting at the close of each Sunday evening service. During the preparatory month let us strongly organize our churches for the special meetings that are to come. It may not be out of place at this point to suggest some committees. Of course committees are simply means to an end. For success we must rely wholly upon God's spirit.

1. A Visiting committee who shall visit the homes in the community, to find out if there are non-church goers, or Baptists who have their religion in their trunks. See personally — if possible — and always leave a card inviting to the special meetings. Printer's ink always pays in revival work.

2. A Reception committee to receive and welcome strangers. It is astonishing how many strangers enter our churches, to whom we never extend the hand of welcome. They feel the neglect too.

3. An Inquiry committee to labor with seekers in the after-meetings or inquiry room. This is a very important committee.

Give to the Inquiry committee the following rules:

First — Avoid the mistake that intense mental anguish must precede conversion.

Second — Avoid the mistake that it is a small thing to become a Christian — a mere wish. It must be the giving of the heart to Christ in complete surrender.

Third — Always get the name and address of the inquirer.

Let the committee proceed as follows:

1. Find out what obstacles are in the way of spiritual light.

2. Apply Scripture in the removal of obstacles. Light dispels darkness.

3. Do not seek to remove conviction. Let God do this.

4. Always have your Bible with you and use it.

5. Keep Christ constantly before the inquirer.

6. Do not argue at all. Enforce two facts: The sinner is lost; Christ can save.

7. Be able to offer a prayer with the seeker, both kneeling.

8. Mark your Bible so as to be able to turn quickly to any passage suiting any case — such as passages for back-sliders; for those who think themselves good enough; those who feel that they are too wicked to be saved; for those who are stumbling at the inconsistencies of church members; tried, but failed; waiting a more convenient season; to much to give up; how to believe; danger of delay, etc.

Returning to General Committees, let there be:

4. A good Volunteer Choir, who will attend each night.

5. A Printing Committee.

6. Efficient Ushers, who will come early and each night.

7. Hand to every Christian worker in the Church a pledge card, which may be signed and returned. A card like this: — "I will try to be at every meeting, and bring some unconverted friend with me. I will be on the lookout for someone in the congregation who seems to be impressed with the truth, and will try to lead that soul to a public confession and surrender at once. I will pray each day for our special meetings."

The question is often asked, "What is the best plan to use in conducting an after-meeting?" Plans must of necessity differ, but I know of no plan better than the old one, provided the sermon has been directed to the unconverted. Short prayers for the unsaved; earnest testimony of the joy of the Christian life; encouraging words that will lead the unsaved to public action; then may come what is, perhaps not unscripturally, called, "Drawing the net." I know of no better way than "Coming forward." Make the front seats an altar of confession and surrender.

The coming down the aisle often becomes the turning-point. It is yielding to Christ and is an act of public profession and has brought peace to many a burdened heart. Seek to get each inquirer to offer a prayer in which he gives himself to Christ and his service, and, if possible, get a word of testimony. Confessing before men is the Lord's way. I know this is all very simple, but we need simplicity. "But all this," says someone, "looks very much like working up a revival." Of course it does. Why not? Last winter we had snow and ice and there seemed no life anywhere, but bye and bye the snow and ice melted, and the tiny blades began to shoot up, and the buds soon became blossoms, and the blossoms fruit. The sun didn't move. The earth simply got in the right position. God doesn't change. He can save anytime. The

church is not in the right position, that is all. *We can help put it right.* The fulfillment of certain conditions will bring certain blessings. "Ask in my name." "Where two or three shall agree." "How do you know you are going to have a revival," was asked a pastor. "Because," was the reply, "three of my members are praying for it each day." A praying church will bring a revival.

Now we are ready for the 4th suggestion, viz: — *Pastoral co-operation in work.* The ideal is the pastor-evangelist.

Let the churches cheerfully loan their pastors. Unselfish churches will do much towards solving the problem of evangelization.

This plan followed out would bind us all closer together and would show a most thorough union. If spiritual life is quickened and even one soul is saved, success is ours.

In conclusion, let us notice four very necessary things if we would accomplish the desired end: — 1st. There must be much prayer. Someone has said, "Prayer is the right arm of evangelism." A few earnest Christians prayed all night before Edwards preached the sermon, "Sinners in the hands of an angry God." I believe great good would come if we observed a day of fasting and prayer. I suppose the only real day of fasting is when we become so burdened for souls that we do not care to eat. None can explain prayer, but we know that prayer is answered. "All things whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive."

The 2d thing we need is full consecration. Christ and his work first.

The 3rd thing is the loosing of our tongue in testimony. "Ye are my witnesses."

The last thing is we must do personal work. Great results have been brought about by individual effort. "O Lord, revive Thy Work."

WILLIAM H. MAIN, *Chairman.*
For the Committee.

Voted, That the report be accepted and printed in the Annual.

An offering was received, amounting to $10.60.

Rev. G. H. Gardner presented the report of the Committee on Enrollment.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENROLLMENT.

Association.	Pastors.	Delegates.	Total.
Fairfield,	9	38	47
Hartford,	22	70	92
New Haven,	21	115	136
New London,	8	29	37
Stonington Union,	5	14	19
Ashford,	9	27	35
	92	289	381

G. H. GARDNER, *Chairman.*
For the Committee.

The report was accepted and ordered to be printed.

Voted, That we adjourn after the completion of the printed program.

Singing " All hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

Rev. Cortland Myers, D.D., Brooklyn, N. Y., spoke of "The Second Mile."

It was an eloquent appeal for the highest form of pure loving; living the Christ life in service and sacrifice.

Rev. W. E. Witter, D.D., Boston, took charge of the " Quiet Hour."

It was a fitting close to a series of gatherings characterized by perfect harmony and a deep spiritual interest. It is said to have been one of the strongest and best in the recollection of those present.

Rev. A. E. Harris, Rev. F. H. Divine and Rev. T. R. Stubbert led in closing prayer.

Singing " My Faith Looks up to Thee."

Rev. A. E. Harris pronounced the benediction.

CARNOT O. SPENCER,
President.

F. H. DIVINE,
Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance on hand at last report, ... $356 49

Ashford Association.

Andover,	$5 00	Thompson, Central	$18 55
Brooklyn,	13 25	" East,	....
Danielson,	....	Warrenville,	6 00
Eastford,	22 00	Westford,	6 00
Killingly, East,	....	Willimantic,	75 20
Mansfield,	5 00	Willington,	33 00
Putnam,	20 25	Woodstock, West,	50
Stafford,	....	" South,	9 50

$214 25

Fairfield Association.

Bridgeport, First,	$250 00	Norwalk, Grace,	$1 00
German,	15 00	Rowayton,	20 00
Immanuel,	7 00	South Norwalk,	121 45
Messiah,	20 00	Stamford, First,	36 10
Second,	30 33	Italian,	7 00
Swede,	6 27	Union,	1 00
Danbury, New Hope,	1 00	Stepney,	11 10
Second,	30 00	Stratfield,	5 32
Easton,	8 00	Stratford, First,	2 00
Greenwich,	....	Pilgrim,	1 00
New Milford,	22 00	White Hills,	10 00
Norwalk, First,	30 00		

$635 57

Hartford Association.

Bantam,	$6 00	Hartford, Swede,	$22 00
Bloomfield,	10 00	Union,	3 00
Bristol,	68 00	New Britain, First,	148 26
Canton,	15 00	German,	22 10
Colebrook, North,	3 25	Swede,	12 28
South,	5 25	Plainville,	9 00
Cornwall, East,	8 25	Rockville,	5 38
Hollow,	6 00	South Windsor,	5 00

Hartford, Asylum Ave.,	136 92	Suffield, First,	11 40
First,	375 00	Second,	145 50
Memorial,	25 00	Tariffville,	18 00
Olivet,	19 06	Torrington,	23 53
South,	101 00	West Hartford,	10 00
Shiloh,	10 00	Wethersfield,	5 00
		Winsted,	12 66
			$1,241 84

New Haven Association.

Ansonia, First,	$113 96	New Haven, First,	$311 36
Ansonia, Macedonia,	....	German,	20 00
Branford,	8 00	Grand Ave.,	21 00
Cheshire,	3 00	Howard Ave.,	15 00
Chester,	10 57	Immanuel,	....
Clinton,	13 50	Olivet,	13 53
Cromwell,	21 00	Swede,	10 00
Deep River,	105 00	Plantsville,	10 25
Essex,	57 55	Saybrook,	2 00
Haddam,	2 00	Shelton,	10 25
Meriden, First,	85 84	Southington,	32 40
German,	5 00	Wallingford,	140 12
Main Street,	26 00	Waterbury, First,	27 56
Swede,	9 50	German,	....
Middletown,	50 00	Grace,	3 00
Milford,	1 00	Second,	5 00
Montowese,	10 00	Swede,	13 00
Naugatuck,	13 95	Yalesville,	9 00
N. Haven, Calvary,	247 97		
			$1,427 31

New London Association.

Bozrah,	$18 58	N.London,H'nt't'n St.	15 50
Chesterfield,	....	Shiloh,	....
Colchester,	20 25	Niantic,	14 00
Fitchville,	....	Norwich, Central,	100 00
Haddam, East,	....	First,	20 00
Lake's Pond,	....	Mt. Calvary,	10 00
Lebanon,	....	Third,	10 00
Lyme, East,	2 00	Salem,	....
North,	....	Scott Hill,	....
Old,	8 00	Waterford, First,	7 75
Montville,	13 25	Second,	10 00
New London, First,	53 14		
			$302 47

Stonington Union Association.

Groton, First,	$12 00	N. Stonington, First,	$15 00
Heights,	20 03	Second,	3 00
Jewett City,	15 21	Third,	....
Laurel Glen,	....	Poquonnock Bridge,	10 00
Ledyard,	5 00	Preston City,	21 75
Mystic Union,	100 00	Sterling,	10 00
Noank,	50 00	Stonington, First,	62 60
Packerville,	15 00	Third,	3 00
Plainfield Union,	25 00	Voluntown,	4 00

$371 59

Total from churches, ... $4,193 03

BIBLE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

For the Maintenance of a "State Evangelist and Bible School Worker."

Ashford Association.

Brooklyn,	....	Warrenville,	....
Danielson,	....	Westford,	$3 00
Eastford,	5 00	Willimantic,	3 67
Mansfield,	5 00	Willington Hill,	3 00
Putnam,	....	South,	5 00
Stafford,	....	Woodstock, West,	....
Thompson, Central,	7 00	South,	....

$31 67

Fairfield Association.

Bridgeport, First,	$25 00	Norwalk, First,	....
German,	5 00	Grace,	....
Immanuel,	3 00	Rowayton,	....
Messiah,	2 00	South Norwalk,	$18 70
Second,	....	Stamford, First,	10 00
Swede,	....	Italian,	3 50
Danbury, New Hope,	....	Union,	2 00
Second,	15 00	Stepney,	5 00
Easton,	....	Stratfield,	....
Greenwich,	....	Stratford, Pilgrim,	....
New Milford,	5 00	White Hills,	2 00

$96 20

Hartford Association.

Bantam,	....	Hartford, Union,	$3 00
Bloomfield,	....	Suffield St.,	5 00
Bristol,	$15 00	New Britain, First,	5 00
Canton,	5 00	German,	....
Colebrook, North,	3 00	Swede,	....
South,	2 00	Plainville,	....
Cornwall, East,	2 00	Rockville,	5 00
Hartford, Asylum		South Windsor,	....
Ave.,	5 00	Suffield, First,	.....
First,	25 00	Second,	11 69
Memorial,	12 12	Tariffville,	3 00
Olivet,	....	Torrington,	7 00
Shiloh,	3 00	West Hartford,	2 60
South,	20 00	Wethersfield,	....
Swede,	....	Winsted,	7 00

$141 41

New Haven Association.

Ansonia, First,	$15 00	N. Haven, Calvary,	....
Macedonia,	....	First,	....
Branford,	3 00	German,	....
Cheshire,	....	Grand Ave.,	....
Chester,	7 00	Howard Ave.,	.....
Clinton,	....	Immanuel,	....
Cromwell,	3 50	Olivet,	$5 00
Deep River,	....	Swede,	....
Essex,	5 00	Plantsville,	....
Meriden, First,	20 00	Saybrook,	....
Olive Branch,	5 00	Shelton,	5 00
Park Ave.,	....	Southington,	7 01
German,	....	Wallingford,	....
Main St.,	10 00	Waterbury, First,	25 00
Swede,	....	Grace,	....
Middletown,	10 00	Second,	....
Milford,	1 00	Swede,	2 00
Montowese,	4 15	Yalesville,	3 56
Naugatuck,	3 00		

$134 22

New London Association.

Bozrah,	$5 00	Niantic,	....
Colchester,	6 00	Norwich, Central,	$25 00
Fitchville,	2 00	First,	6 00
Lebanon,	....	Mt. Calvary,	....
Lyme, East,	5 00	Third,	....
North,	....	Salem,	....
Old,	....	Scott Hill,	....
Montville,	5 00	Waterford, First,	....
New London, First,	....	Second,	....
Huntington St.,	....		
			$54 00

Stonington Union Association.

Groton, First,	$5 00	Packerville,	$5 00
Heights,	....	Plainfield Union,	7 00
Jewett City,	7 00	Poquonnock Bridge,	....
Laurel Glen,	....	Preston City,	5 00
Ledyard,	....	Quiambaug,	....
Mystic Union,	15 00	Sterling,	3 00
Noank,	30 00	Stonington, First,	15 00
No. Stonington, First,	....	Third,	....
Second,	....	Voluntown,	....
Third,	....		
			$92 00

Grand total from Bible Schools, . . . $549 50

Many Schools sent the year's offering so early that it was credited in the report for 1904.

Missions.

Banksville, Italian,	$3 42
Bristol, Swede,	....
Bristol, Italian,	....
Hartford, Italian,	10 00
New Haven, Italian,	15 00
New London, Italian,	3 00
Putnam, French,	2 00
South Norwalk, Italian,	4 10
Torrington, Italian,	....
Waterbury, Italian,	5 00
	$42 52

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT.

For the support of the Colportage Wagon work and a Missionary among the Swedes.

Ashford Association.

Brooklyn, B. Y. P. U.,	....	
Danielson, B. Y. P. U.	....	
Eastford, C. E.,	$2 00	
Mansfield, C. E.,	3 00	
Putnam, B. Y. P. U.,	7 00	
Stafford, C. E.,	3 00	
Central Thompson, B. Y. P. U.,	5 00	
Warrenville, C. E.,	....	
Willimantic, C. E.,	7 50	
Willington Hill, C. E.,	2 00	
" South, C. E.,	....	
Woodstock, South, C. E,	....	
" West, C. E.,	....	
		$29 50

Fairfield Association.

Bridgeport, First, C. E.,	15 00	
" German, C. E.,	2 00	
" Immanuel, C. E.,	....	
" Second, C. E.,	....	
" Swede, B. Y. P. U.,	5 00	
Danbury, New Hope, C. E.,	....	
" Second, C. E.,	....	
New Milford, C. E.,	5 00	
Norwalk, First, B. Y. P. U.,	5 00	
" Grace, C. E. U.,	....	
Rowayton, C. E.,	....	
South Norwalk, C. E,	10 00	
Stamford, First, B. Y. P. U.,	10 00	
Stamford, Union, B. Y. P. U.,	....	
Stratford, S. S. Lyceum,	....	
White Hills, C. E.,	....	
		$52 00

Hartford Association.

Bristol, C. E.,	$25 00	
Canton, C. E.,	1 00	
Cornwall, East, C. E.,	3 00	
Hartford, Asylum Ave., C. E.,	10 00	
" First, Y. P. A.,	15 00	

Hartford, Memorial, C. E.,	8 00	
" Shiloh, B. Y. P. U.,	2 00	
" South, C. E.,	12 00	
" Suffield St. C. E.,	5 00	
" Swede, B. Y. P. U.,	3 00	
" Union, B. Y. P. U.,	....	
New Britain, First, C. E.,	....	
" German, B. Y. P. U.,	....	
" Swede, B. Y. P. U.,	....	
Plainville, B. Y. P. U.,	....	
Rockville, B. Y. P. U.,	20 00	
Suffield, Second, C. E.,	10 00	
Torrington, C. E.,	5 00	
West Hartford, C. E.,	....	
Winsted, C. E.,	5 00	
		$124 00

New Haven Association.

Ansonia, First, C. E.,	10 00
Branford, C. E.,	....
Chester, C. E.,	....
Cromwell, B. Y. P. U.,	3 00
Deep River, B. Y. P. U.	10 00
Essex, B. Y. P. U.,	5 00
Meriden, First, C. E.,	15 00
" German, C. E.,	....
" Main St., C. E.,	5 00
" Swede, B. Y. P. U.,	....
Middletown, B. Y. P. U.,	10 00
Milford,	1 00
Naugatuck, C. E.,	2 00
New Haven, Calvary, C. E.,	....
" First, C. E.,	10 00
" German, B. Y. P. U.,	....
" Grand Ave., C. E.,	....
" Howard Ave., C. E.,	2 00
" Immanuel, B. Y. P. U.,	....
" Swede, B. Y. P. U.,	3 00
Plantsville, C. E.,	3 00
Shelton, C. E.,	....
Southington, C. E.,	2 50
Wallingford, B. Y. P. U.,	8 00
Waterbury, First, C. E.,	20 00
" Grace, B. Y. P. U.,	2 00
" Second, C. E.,	....

Waterbury, Swede, The Beacon,	....	
Yalesville, C. E.,	....	
		$111 50

New London Association.

Colchester, B. Y. P. U.,	....	
Lebanon, C. E.,	....	
Lyme, North, C. E.,	....	
" Old, B. Y. P. U.,	....	
Montville, B. U. of C. E.,	5 00	
New London, First, C. E.,	15 00	
" Huntington St., C. E.,	5 00	
Niantic, C. E.,	....	
Norwich, Central, B. Y. P. U.,	10 00	
" First, B. Y. P. U.,	5 00	
" Third, B. Y. P. U.,	....	
Waterford, First,	5 00	
		$45 00

Stonington Union Association.

Groton Heights, B. Y. P. U.,	....	
Jewett City, C. E.,	....	
Mystic Union, C. E.,	5 00	
Noank, B. Y. P. U.,	45 00	
No. Stonington, Third, B. Y. P. U.,	3 00	
Plainfield Union, B. Y. P. U.,	10 00	
Poquonnock Bridge, B. Y. P. U.,	....	
Preston City, B. Y. P. U.,	5 00	
Stonington, First, C. E.,	....	
		$68 00

Total from Young People,	$430 00

Several Societies sent their offering for the year so early that they were credited in the report for 1904.

From Miscellaneous Societies.

Norwich Extra-Cent-a-Day Band,	15 00	
Whatsoever Circle of K. D., Hartford, South,	10 00	
Farther Lights, First, Meriden,	20 00	
		$45 00

Special Subscriptions.

Robt. Palmer,	100 00	J. W. Britain,	5 00
W. J. Grippin,	50 00	Dwight T. Meech,	25 00
J. G. Burnett,	10 00	So. Norwalk Church,	50 00
W. A. Grippin,	100 00	Waterbury, First,	100 00
Packerville Church,	5 00	B. M. DesJardins,	25 00
Hartford, South,	50 00	Mrs Margaret McWhinnie,	25 00
A. J. Sloper,	50 00	Brooklyn Church,	10 00
E. F. Wilcox,	50 00	Willington Church,	25 00
Hartford, Memorial,	25 00	A. J. Shipley,	50 00
Meriden, First,	50 00	Mrs. J. S. Jeffers,	5 00
Plainfield Union,	25 00	Jewett City Church,	25 00
Niantic Church,	10 00	N. Colebrook,	5 00
Hartford, First,	100 00	Rev. J. C. Gavin,	5 00
Rev. J. A. Peake,	2 00	Rev. J. K. Miller,	5 00
Middletown, First,	10 00	Willimantic Church,	10 73
Mrs. A. M. Herr and daughter,	125 00	Rev. E. Sanderson,	5 00
Malcolm M. Herr,	25 00	Rev. H. B. Hutchins,	1 00
Plainville Church,	5 00	Rev. W. V. Gray,	10 00
Louisa E. Miller,	5 00	Rev. F. H. Divine,	10 00
Mrs. H. L. Allen,	5 00	Walter Divine,	2 50
New Haven Italian Mission,	11 00	Agnes Divine,	2 50
Rev. G. M. Stone, D.D.	25 00	W. C. Twiss,	100 00
R. P. Wilbur,	100 00	Suffield, Second,	25 25
Mrs. Chas. Emery,	5 00	Deep River,	10 00
Wallingford Church,	10 00	H. A. Hull,	25 00
Groton Heights Church,	20 00	Rev. F. Lent,	5 00
L. P. Parker,	10 00	Bozrah Church,	50 00
		C. K. Flanders,	10 00
		W. F. Walker,	25 00

$1,634 98

Special Gifts to Chapel Fund.

J. L. Howard,	100 00
James Newcomb,	100 00
W. A. Grippin,	200 00
L. W. Meech,	36 00
Mrs. Mary A. Turner,	100 00

$536 00

Other unpaid Subscriptions to this Fund $700.

Individuals to General Fund.

Howard C. Peck,	$2 00	Mrs. J. B. Hoyt,	50 00
Jas. A. Mongomery,	25 00	R. H. Broderick,	10 00
Miss Ellen Canfield,	1 00	Geo. M. Stone, D.D.	5 00
Jas. M. Young, .	15 00	Mrs. A. T. Philips,	5 00
May A. Chappell,	5 00	A Friend, . .	1 00
Unknown Friend,	250 00	A Friend, . .	10 00
Miss Georgia Banner,	1 00	Mrs. Silliman, .	1 00
Miss Grace Walker,	40	Mrs. M. L. Barnes,	10 00
J. C. Leffingwell,	3 00	Member of Middle-	
William Henry, .	2 00	town Church,	1 00

$397 40

For Foreign Work.

American Baptist Home Mission Society, .	458 77
Mrs. J. B. Hoyt, ...	60 00
A Friend, ...	5 00
	$523 77

For Minutes.

Woman's Foreign Mission Society, . .	6 00
Woman's Home Mission Society, . .	5 00
	$11 00

For Evangelistic and Other Services.

From Rev. A. F. Baker:

Cheshire, .	$22 30	Meriden, Main St.,	$98 10
N. Haven, Olivet,	25 00	Southington, .	76 74
Plantsville, .	22 00	Middletown, .	52 00
Bozrah, . .	54 00	Hartford, Memorial,	50 00
Meriden, Olive Br.,	15 00	South Norwalk,	100 00
Stafford, . .	21 00	Ansonia, . .	30 00
Montville, .	51 82	Yalesville, . .	26 15
N. Stonington, 3d,	15 00		

$659 11

From Warren O. Barnes, Colporteur:

Salem, . .	90	Sterling, . .	$0 62
Bozrah, . .	10 00	Mansfield, . .	3 50
East Killingly,	2 97	Rev. J. G. Ward,	3 00
Rev. C. L. Snow,	2 50	Warrenville, .	82
Scott Hill, .	3 15	Westford, . .	82
Lake's Pond, .	1 59	Mansfield Chapel,	50
Niantic Hill, .	37	Miss M. Ballard,	50

$31 24

From Rev. F. H. Divine:

North Lyme,	$7 71	Bozrah,	$20 00	
Noank Church, and S. S.,	55 20	Plainfield Union,	47 50	
		East Lyme,	55 25	
New Haven, Grand Ave.,	20 00	Rev. H. B. Carpenter,	15 00	
		South Norwalk,	115 00	
Essex,	20 30	First Stonington,	15 00	
Ansonia, First,	15 00	Bristol,	10 00	
Rev. M. Stadtfeld,	5 00	Mystic Union,	20 00	
Rev. E. E. Loux,	5 00			
				$425 96

From Interest.

Rowayton Fund,	$185 00	Babcock & Fiske, Fund,	$20 00	
Saybrook, Fund,	276 00			
Dunham Fund,	190 00	Cone,	200 00	
Chapman Fund,	292 50	Manning Fund,	20 20	
E. Francis Fund,	49 00	May Fund,	25 00	
Miller Fund,	68 50	Phelps Fund,	30 00	
Sheldon Fund,	25 00	Westcott Fund,	300 00	
A. Francis Fund,	75 00	Wilmot Fund,	15 53	
Hall Fund,	32 44	Martha Rogers,	10 30	
				$1,814 47

From Other Sources.

New Hartford, rent,	84 00
Bridgeport German, rent,	174 00
Sale of Newtown Church Edifice,	22 00
E. H. Gardner, fund transferred,	114 43
From Loan,	700 00
Collections at Convention,	101 88
	$1,196 31

Total receipts for the General Fund for the year, $12,846 78

Bequests, Annuities, and Trust Funds.

George R. Willmot, Meriden,	1,243 57
Levi A. Hall, Mansfield,	9,700 00
Sarah Searls, Brooklyn,	100 00
Almira E. Westcott, Danielson,	5,000 00
Jane E. Balcom, New York, annuity,	1,000 00
	$17,043 57

Grand total for year $29,890 35

PAYMENTS.

To Churches and Missions.

Eastford,	$60 00	Andover,	$50 00
Westford,	40 00	Bridgeport, German,	150 00
South Woodstock,	50 00	Danbury, New Hope	50 00
Bloomfield,	100 00	Canton,	100 00
No. Colebrook,	27 67	S. Colebrook,	43 00
East Cornwall,	50 00	Cornwall Hollow,	50 00
Hartford, Swedish,	150 00	N. Britain, Swedish,	120 00
Tariffville,	100 00	West Hartford,	104 00
Cheshire,	104 00	Naugatuck,	156 00
Waterbury Swedish,	175 00	N. Haven, Swedish,	67 31
Shelton,	160 00	Ledyard,	100 00
Sterling,	100 00	White Hills,	60 00
Bantam,	13 00		

$2,179 98

For Foreign Work.

French Mission,	360 00
Hartford and Meriden, Italian,	123 73
New Haven and vicinity, Italian,	430 29
Stamford and vicinity, Italian,	490 19
New London, Italian,	377 00
Waterbury and vicinity, Italian,	420 00
South Norwalk, Italian, rent,	52 00

$2,253 21

Income to Churches.

Rowayton,	184 50
Saybrook,	276 00
Wethersfield,	149 00
North Stonington, First,	68 50
South Woodstock,	20 00
Willington,	104 00
Mansfield,	104 00
Andover,	34 00

$940 00

Secretary's Salary and Expenses.

Salary Superintendent,	1,525 00
" Secretary,	200 00

Expenses —			
Railroad,	214 90		
Postage,	99 08		
Hotel,	57 92		
Livery,	27 00		
Supplies,	18 19		
Pictures and Electro-plates,	24 75		
Express,	4 20		
Repairs,	4 83		
Telephone and Telegraph,	11 12		
Pulpit supplies,	16 70		
Appraisers,	6 00—	$485 49	
			$2,210 49

Miscellaneous.

For printing,	604 35	
" interest, Winsted,	127 50	
" " Waterbury, German,	45 25	
" " Stamford, Italian,	47 50	
" " Shelton,	82 50	
" " on loan,	15 00	
" " A. E. Westcott Annuity,	150 00	
" " Helen Beebe, Annuity,	50 00	
" Evangelistic Work, A. F. Baker,	1,268 64	
W. O. Barnes, Colporteur,	125 00	
Waterbury, Swedish, rent,	150 00	
Greenwich, hall rent,	7 44	
New Hartford, insurance and repairs,	37 62	
Bridgeport, German, interest,	148 50	
" " assessment,	36 87	
" " repairs and insurance,	141 89	
New London, Italian Mission, furniture,	48 00	
Legal Expenses,	72 10	
Young People's Department,	25 00	
Expenses Executive Committee,	7 00	
Contribution returned,	5 00	
Organ for Colporteur,	22 00	
Convention expenses,	39 00	
		$3,256 16
Transferred from current funds, to Chapel Fund,		536 00
Transferred from current funds, to Hall Fund,		32 44
Paid loans,		1,100 00
Balance on hand,		338 50
		$12,846 78

SUMMARY OF TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.

Balance on hand at last report,	$356 49
Received from Churches,	4,193 03
Received from Bible Schools,	549 50
Received from Missions,	42 52
Received from Young People's Department,	430 00
Received from Miscellaneous Societies,	45 00
Received from Special Subscriptions,	1,634 98
Received from special gifts to Chapel Fund,	536 00
Received from Individuals to General Fund,	397 40
Received for Foreign Work,	523 77
Received for Minutes,	11 00
Received for Evangelistic Services,	1,116 31
Received from interest,	1,814 47
Received from loans,	700 00
Received from other sources,	496 31
	$12,846 78
Legacies, Annuities and Trust Funds,	$17,043 57
Grand Total,	$29,890 35

Payments.

To Churches,	$2,179 98
For Foreign Work,	2,253 21
Income to Churches,	940 00
For printing,	604 35
Secretary's salary and expenses,	2,210 49
Interest and annuities,	517 75
Evangelistic Work,	1,268 64
Paid on loans,	1,100 00
Other Payments,	1,197 86
Transferred to Chapel Fund,	536 00
Balance,	338 50
	$12,846 78
Legacies, Annuities and Trust Funds, invested,	$17,043 57
Grand Total,	$29,890 35

Hartford, Conn., Oct. 28, 1904.

This is to certify that I have examined the accounts and securities in the hands of W. F. Walker, Treasurer of the Connecticut Baptist Convention, and found the same to be as stated in his report.

A. SPENCER, JR., Auditor.

STATEMENT OF FUNDS HELD BY CONVENTION.

C. H. Chapman Fund.

	Cost.	Inc.
15 Shares New Britain National Bank,	$2,250	$127 50
2,000 City of Columbus, O., bonds, due 1913,		
1,000 Potomac Valley R. R. Co., due 1914,	3,225	135 00
R. E. Mortgage, Washington Co., Col.,	275	7 50
Deposit in Savings Bank,	750	30 00
	$6,500	$300 00

Income to Convention.

C. H. Sheldon Fund.

Loan to Convention,	$500	$25 00

Income to Convention.

Martha Rogers Fund.

Loan on endorsed notes,	$500	$10 30

Income to Convention.

Almira O. Cone Fund.

4,000 City of Columbus, O., bonds,	$4,300	$180 00
Loan on City Bank stock,	500	10 00
Real estate mortgage, Greely Co., Col.,	200	
	$5,000	$190 00

One-half income to Convention, one-half to East Haddam.

Dunham Fund.

5 Shares Hartford National Bank,	$500	$30 00
4,000 Potomac Valley R. R. Co., due 1941,	4,000	160 00
	$4,500	$190 00

Income of this fund goes to Willington, Mansfield, and Andover.

Esther N. Francis Fund.

4 Shares Farmers & Mechanics Nat'l Bank, Hartford,	$400	$24 00
Real estate mortgage in New Britain, High Street,	500	25 00
	$900	$49 00

Income goes to Wethersfield church.

Ann M. May Fund.

Note secured by collateral,	$500	$25 00

Income goes to Wethersfield church.

Alfred Francis Fund.

Real estate mortgage, Wethersfield,	$1,100	$55 00
Note secured by collateral,	400	20 00
	$1,500	$75 00

Income goes to Wethersfield church.

Anna E. Miller Fund.

10 Shares First National Bank, Stonington,	$1,000	$68 50

Income to Pendleton Hill church.

A. E. Phelps Fund.

Cash,	500	$30 00

Income to North Colebrook church.

Sarah R. Frisbie Fund.

1,000 Cincinnati, Dayton & Irontown R. R. bond,	$1,000	$50 00

Income to Asylum Avenue, Hartford, Conn.

Rowayton Fund.

Loan on collateral,	$1,750	$87 50
Deposit in Savings Bank,	1,250	50 00
	$3,000	$137 50

$250.00 of this Fund was returned to the Rowayton church during the year by order of Board. See report of 1904.

Income to Rowayton church.

A. M. Fuller Fund.

Cash, ... $200 00
Income to Convention.

Valentine Ballard Fund.

Cash, ... $200 00
Income to Convention.

Jas. W. Manning Fund.

Deposit in Putnam Savings Bank, . . . $500 $20 00
Income payable to South Woodstock church.

First Saybrook Fund.

9 Shares Phoenix Insurance Co.
8 Shares Aetna Insurance Co.
2 Shares Hartford Insurance Co.
3 Shares National Insurance Co.
1 Share Connecticut Fire Insurance Co.
Deposit, Savings Bank of New Britain, . . $79 55
Loan, ... 300 00
Income to First Saybrook Church.

Abbie Babcock Phillips Fund.

Principal, ... $500

Lucy A. Fiske Fund.

Principal, ... $500
One bond Buffalo & Susquehanna R. R. Co., . $1,000 $40 00
Income to Convention.

Stephen Woodward Fund.

Deposit in Savings Bank, ... $500 $20 00

Levi A. Hall Fund.

Am. Real Estate Co, bond, ... $1,000
Middletown Banking Co., bond, . . . 600
5 shares Thames National Bank, Norwich, . 800
Notes secured by collateral, ... 7,300

$9,700

Interest to accrue until sum is $10,000.
Income to Convention.

Henry and Almira Westcott Memorial Fund.—Annuity.

20 shares Union Pacific R. R.,	$2,600	
13 shares U. S. Steel Preferred,	1,300	
Note secured by collateral,	1,100	
		$5,000

A. E. and H. T. Westcott Fund.

Real Estate Mortgage, New Britain, 5%	$2,000 00
Loan secured by collateral, 4½%	3,000 00

Income to East Killingly Church.

Geo. R. Willmot Fund.

Note secured by collateral,	$1,250

Income to Convention.

Sarah Searls Fund.

Real Estate Mortgage,	$100

Income to Convention.

Helen Beebe Fund.—Annuity.

Real Estate Mortgage, New Britain, 5%	$1,000 00

Jane E. Balcom Fund.—Annuity.

Loan on collateral,	$1,000

Church Edifice Fund.

Balance at last report,	$691 10	
Interest,	17 50	
From Special Chapel Fund,	536 00	
From German Church, Waterbury,	1,154 75	$2,399 35
Paid Swedish Church, Waterbury.	$1,000	
Paid So. Woodstock Church,	25	
Paid to Cornwall Hollow Church.	25	1,050 00
Balance,		$1,249 35

Colored Church Fund.

Balance at last report,	$201 97	
Interest,	2 24	
		$204 21
Paid Shiloh Church, Hartford,	$100	
Paid Grace Church, Waterbury,	100	$200 00
Balance		$4 21

West Hartford Fund.

Balance at last report,	$111 50	
Interest,	4 44	
		$115 94

PRESENT FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE CONNECTICUT BAPTIST CONVENTION.

Resources.

Permanent Fund (income for general work),	$25,450 00
Trust Funds (income for certain churches),	28,650 00
Annuity Funds,	7,000 00
Church Edifice Fund,	1,249 35
Colored Church Fund,	4 21
West Hartford Fund,	115 94
Unpaid pledges to Chapel Fund,	700 00
Cash in hands of Treasurer,	338 50

Obligations.

Italian Chapel Fund, New Haven,*	$237 00
Pledge to New Haven Italian Chapel,	1,000 00
German Church, Waterbury, Trust Fund, (with interest)	1,155 75
Income from all Trust Funds,	
Income from Annuity Funds,	

*Error in the report of 1903-1904. This Fund has not been transferred from the current funds of the Convention, and is an obligation against the same.

The Convention also holds the title to the following church property: New Hartford, German of Bridgeport, Shelton, Winsted, Meriden Swedish, Torrington, West Hartford, New Canaan, Saybrook (three pieces of property), Chapel in Stamford, lot on Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport, and mortgage for $1,000.00 on New Britain Swedish Church.

The Convention pays the interest on mortgage of German, Bridgeport, $148.50 annually, on mortgage on Shelton Church, $75 annually, on mortgage on Winsted Church, and on Stamford Chapel, $47.50 annually.

Respectfully Submitted,

W. F. WALKER,

Treasurer.

ROLL OF DELEGATES.

Ashford Association.

Andover — Rev. E. Hatfield.
Brooklyn — Rev. G. F. Genung, D.D., E. St. John.
Eastford — Rev. J. W. Higgins.
Mansfield — Rev. L. Smith, L. J. Storrs, Mrs. L. J. Storrs.
Putnam — Rev. J. R. Stubbert, Mrs. J. R. Stubbert, Rev. B. F. Benoit, Mrs. J. B. Kent, Miss Edith Bowen.
Stafford — Rev. G. W. Shepard.
Thompson, Central — Rev. O. W. Foye, Mrs. O. W. Foye, Stephen Ballard.
Warrenville — Rev. G. C. Chappell, Mrs. G. C. Chappell, David Matthewson, Mrs. D. Matthewson.
Willimantic — Rev. O. R. O. Farel, Dr. E. G. Sumner, Mrs. E. G. Sumner, George Stiles, Jas. G. Robinson, Mrs. Jas. G. Robinson, Mrs. N. W. French, W. N. Potter.
Willington — Rev. C. W. Wolfe, Mrs. John Bromlee, Miss E. D. Hall, Miss Ida M. Hall.
Woodstock, South — Rev. R. H. Sherman, Mrs. J. E. Burleson, A. A. Harrington.

Fairfield Association.

Bridgeport, First — Rev. G. W. Nicholson, Rev. B. D. Remington, M. E. Morris, J. W. Brittin, Mrs. J. W. Brittin, L. A. Skinner, G. H. Noble, Mrs. G. H. Noble, G. G. Goulden, Mrs. G. G. Goulden, Marion Myers.
Bridgeport, Second — Rev. E. E. Loux, Mrs. W. A. Phillips, Mrs. Wm. R. Atkins.
Bridgeport, German — Rev. C. A. Gruhn.
Bridgeport, Immanuel — S. T. Velie, Miss Nellie Sprague.
Bridgeport, Messiah — Rev. W. N. Morton.
Bridgeport, Swede — Rev. T. Clafford, Mrs. T. Clafford.
Danbury, Second — Rev. C. B. Bolles, Mrs. C. B. Bolles, E. S. Fairchild, F. Vail, J. Amsbury, Mrs. F. L. Butler, Mrs. F. Vail, Mrs. S. M. Griffin, Mrs. Jennison.
Easton — Mrs. S. G. Silliman.
New Canaan — Wm. Henry.
New Milford — Rev. S. D. Woods, Mrs. S. D. Woods.
South Norwalk — Dr. C. F. Boutwell, Mrs. C. F. Boutwell, Mrs. H. P. Morgan.

Stepney — Rev. Robert Duncan, H. B. Curtis.
Stamford, First — Rev. J. W. Richardson, J. Walter Davis, Miss E. I. Youngs, Mrs. E. F. St. John, W. N. Demarest, Mrs. W. N. Demarest.
Stamford, Italian — Rev. V. DiDomenica, Mrs. V. DiDomenica.
Stratfield — Rev. T. G. Denchfield.
Stratford, First — Rev. D. E. Meyers.

HARTFORD ASSOCIATION.

Bloomfield — Rev. H. M. Wolf, Jr., Mrs. H. M. Wolf.
Bristol — Rev. Henry Clarke, Mrs. H. Clarke, W. R. Strong, Mrs. W. R. Strong, W. L. Hart, G. W. Hull, F. S. Merrill, Mrs. E. S. Miller, Eda Saxton, Grace L. Garrett.
Canton — Rev. F. H. Cooper, B. O. Higley, Mrs. B. O. Higley.
Colebrook, North — Rev. W. P. Bartlett.
Colebrook, South — Grove W. Demming, Mrs. Julia R. Raidart.
Cornwall, East — Rev. P. S. Collins, Miss E. Whitcomb.
Hartford, Asylum Ave. — Rev. C. A. Piddock, J. L. Denison, F. W. Payne, Mrs. F. W. Payne, John Gemmill, L. B. Denison, Mrs. L. B. Denison, Mrs. C. F. Gordon.
Hartford, First — Rev. Harold Pattison, Hon. C. O. Spencer, Rev. F. H. Divine, Rev. A. Roca, L. C. Glazier, J. G. Burnett, C. P. Gladding, Miss Edith Howard, Mrs. C. Glazier, Mrs. F. H. Divine, Mrs. J. H. Turner, Miss Mary L. Howard.
Hartford, Memorial — Rev. H. M. Thompson, Mrs. H. M. Thompson, J. W. Lamb, H. H. Dickinson, F. H. Carpenter, G. E. Moses.
Hartford, Olivet — Miss N. M. Barrows, Mrs. A. Guild, Mrs. O. M. Hinman.
Hartford, Shiloh — Rev. W. A. Harrod.
Hartford, South — Rev. W. H. Main, D.D., Mrs. W. H. Main, Mr. Carey, Miss E. L. Carey, Mrs. J. W. Loomis, Mrs. L. B. Seymour, Mrs. M. L. Smith, E. H. Morse, Mrs. E. H. Morse, Miss L. M. Squires.
Hartford, Swede — Rev. John Friborg, Mrs. J. Friborg.
Hartford, Union — Rev. Walter Gay.
New Britain, First — Rev. T. Edwin Brown, D.D., Mrs. T. E. Brown, W. F. Walker. Mrs. G. B. Germond, Miss Addie C. Lyman, Mrs. T. A. Wooster, Miss G. Crane, Mrs. J. Coats.
New Britain, German — Rev. P. A. Friederichsen.
New Britain, Swede — A. B. Pierson.
Plainville — Rev. A. Locke, Mrs. A. Locke, A. H. Condell.
Rockville — Rev. G. D. Gould, Mrs. G. D. Gould, L. B. Denby, Mrs. Charter.
South Windsor — Rev. J. M. Lent, Mrs. J. M. Lent, Mrs. C. H. Chandler, Miss Louise King.

Suffield, Second — Rev. R. C. Hull, Mrs. R. C. Hull, D. D. Bemont, C. C. Bissell, Mrs. C. C. Bissell, Mrs. Kirk Jones, A. E. Patterson.
Tariffville — Rev. A. B. Todd, M. Sanford, Mrs. M. Sanford.
Torrington — L. C. Hull, A. G. Lamb.
West Hartford — B. M. Des Jardins, Mrs. B. M. Des Jardins.
Wethersfield — Rev. J. B. Connell, Mrs. J. B. Connell, Mrs. W. H. Coudrey.
Winsted — Rev. F. D. Elmer, Mrs. C. D. Sweet.

New Haven Association.

Ansonia, First — W. H. Fielding, T. U. Wentworth, H. G. Fosdick, Mrs. B. F. Leach, Nellie M. Boutwell, Anna S. Davidson, Jessie R. Starkweather.
Branford — Rev. F. St. John Fitch.
Cheshire — Miss C. Cook.
Chester — Rev. M. Stadtfeld.
Clinton — Rev. L. B. Curtis.
Cromwell — Miss S. R. Root.
Deep River — Rev. J. H. Messenger, Mrs. J. H. Messenger, T. Collins, Mrs. Chandler.
Essex — Rev. W. G. Thomas, Mrs. W. G. Thomas, Mrs. Goddard, Mrs. Hutchinson.
Meriden, First — Rev. R. A. Ashworth, Mrs. R. A. Ashworth, W. C. Twiss, Miss Fannie Twiss, Edward Miller, S. J. Hall, John Ives, Mrs. A. J. Wright, W. F. Lange, Mrs. W. F. Lange.
Meriden, German — Rev. J. C. Huber.
Meriden, Main Street — Rev. A. E. Harris, Mrs. A. E. Harris, I. I. Gardner, Mrs. Baggs.
Meriden, Swede — Rev. Robert Larson, Rev. Wm. Kohler.
Middletown — Rev. W. F. Rowley, E. B. Fall, Mrs. E. B. Fall, Rev. H. A. Morgan, Mrs. Esther Guild, Mrs. A. B. Ryan.
Milford — Rev E. T. Irwin.
Montowese — Rev. J. M. Wells, Mrs. J. M. Wells.
Naugatuck — Rev. C. C. Smith, Isaac A. Morse.
New Haven, Calvary — Rev. G. H. Ferris, Mrs. G. H. Ferris, Rev. A. DiDomenica, Mrs. A. DiDomenica, Rev. D. W. Phelps, Giles Potter, R. E. Chambers, Mrs. C. Ellis, Mrs. G. E. Nichols.
New Haven, First — Rev. F. Lent, S. O. Preston, Mrs. E. C. Sage, Mrs. M. A. Buckingham, A. B. Dibble, G. H. Priest.
New Haven, German — Rev. Otto Koenig.
New Haven, Grand Avenue — Rev. Chas. G. Smith, Mrs. H. V. Santry, Mrs. D. N. Hauselpacker, Mrs. C. M. Meigs, Mrs. G. W. Loveland, Mrs. L. P. Converse.

New Haven, Howard Avenue — Rev. C. K. Flanders. Mrs, C. K. Flanders, Mrs. Elkins, Mrs. T. Powell, Miss Edith Flanders.

New Haven, Olivet — C. M. Parker.

Plantsville — Rev. G. H. Gardner, Mrs. G. H. Gardner, W. Pratt, Mrs. J. Baldwin, Miss Carrie Baldwin, Miss Louise Noble, Miss F. Hamlin.

Shelton — Rev. G. D. Reid, Mrs. G. D. Reid, Mrs. E. Chaffee, Mrs. R. Thompson.

Southington — Rev. W. V. Gray, Mrs. B. S. Porter.

Wallingford — Rev. W. A. Spinney, Mrs. W. A. Spinney, C. H. Brown, F. Doolittle, Mrs. B. V. Uniscke.

Waterbury, First — Rev. Oscar Haywood, D. D., Rev. John Barone, A. J. Shipley, Mrs. A. J. Shipley, E. E. Benedict, Newton C. Smith, Wm. O'Neil, Mrs. C. F. Trott, Mrs. W. J. Sanford, Mrs. Agnes Stohl, Mrs. Jennie Bloke.

Waterbury, Grace — Rev. I. W. Reed.

Waterbury, Second — Rev. F. L. Brooks, Mrs. M. L. Wightman, Mrs. L. J. Somers, Mrs. H. S. Miller, Dr. Mahoney, Mrs. Mahoney, Miss G. L. Snagg, Edith M. Gough.

Waterbury, Swede — Rev. A. O. Laurence.

Yalesville — Rev. B. F. Hurlburt, E. S. May, Mrs. E. N. Tyler, Mrs. James McKenzie, Mrs. W. S. Hotchkiss.

New London Association.

Bozrah — T. H. Peabody.

Colchester — Rev. C. I. Ramsey.

Lebanon — Mrs. Alice Peckham.

Lyme, East — Mrs. C. M. Reed, Mrs. J. B. Hough.

Lyme, North — Miss Emily Stark.

Lyme, Old — Rev. C. C. Luther.

Montville — Rev. E. Sanderson, Mrs. E. Sanderson, Miss Ellen Dart.

New London, First — Rev. F. G. McKeever, Mrs. F. G. McKeever, Rev. J. P. Brown, Rev, Jos. Rapp, C. A. Benjamin, Miss E. Gorton.

New London, Huntington Street — Rev. J. A. Elder, Rev. G. H. Lester, Mrs. G. H. Lester, Mrs. Allen Penhollow, Mrs. G. A. Gorton.

Niantic — John Comstock, Mrs. J. Comstock, Miss Comstock, Miss Julia Stanton, Mrs. H. E. Havens.

Norwich Central — Rev. P. C. Wright, Mrs. A. D. Manning, Miss C. I. Frink, Mrs. H. M. Knight, Mrs. M. J. Lewis, Miss Alice Dean, Miss Helen Moore.

Norwich, First — Rev. H. E. Wise, Jessie P. Lynch.

Waterford, Second — Mrs. Julia W. Starr, Miss Nellie J. Starr.

STONINGTON UNION ASSOCIATION.

Groton, First — Rev. H. B. Hutchins, Mrs. H. B. Hutchins, W. D. Beckwith.
Jewett City — Rev. E. W. Potter, W. H. Whitemore, Mrs. W. H. Whitemore, J. B. Palmer, Jr., Mrs. J. B. Palmer, Lillian E. Jones.
Mystic Union — R. P. Wilbur, Mrs. R. P. Wilbur, E. F. Wilcox, Mrs. E. F. Wilcox, Mrs. W. E. Bates, Miss Harriet Fish, Warren W. Packer, G. E. Lamphere.
Noank — Rev. E. E. Gates, Rev. J. C. Lamb, Robert Palmer, Mrs. Robert Palmer.
North Stonington, First — Rev. H. V. Baker.
North Stonington, Third — Rev. L. Drury.
Packerville — Rev. J. G. Ward.
Plainfield Union — Rev. J. G. Stanton, Mrs. J. G. Stanton, Mrs. Millner,
Poquonnock Bridge — Rev. O. G. Buddington.
Preston City — Rev. N. B. Prindle.
Sterling — Rev. E. W. Darrow, Mrs. E. W. Darrow.
Stonington, First — Rev. D. Thos. MacClymont.
Voluntown — Mrs. H. R. Dewhurst.

Note — Thirty-six churches failed to be represented by delegates or others so far as can be discovered. This Register may be very faulty and incomplete through the failure of the delegates to register or to indicate whether they were delegates or not.

ASSOCIATIONAL CALENDAR

1906.

Association.	Place.	Date.
Stonington Union,	Union Mystic,	June 20, 21.
Hartford,	Winsted,	September 11, 12.
New London,	East Lyme,	September 12, 13.
Ashford,	South Woodstock,	September 25, 26.
Fairfield,	Rowayton,	September 26, 27.
New Haven,	Deep River,	October 3, 4.

Association.	Clerk.	Chairman of Missionary Committee.
Ashford,	Rev. G. F. Genung, D.D Brooklyn.	Rev. Leonard Smith, Mansfield Center.
Fairfield,	Rev. T. G. Denchfield, Bridgeport.	Rev. H. B. Carpenter, South Norwalk.
Hartford,	Rev. S. G. Hastings, Hartford.	Rev. W. H. Main, D.D., Hartford.
New Haven,	Rev. J. H. Messenger, Deep River.	Rev. W. A. Spinney, Wallingford.
New London,	Rev. C. L. Snow, Norwich.	
Stonington Union,	Rev. E. Dewhurst, Voluntown.	Rev. O. G. Buddington, West Mystic

STATISTICS

OF

Churches and Sunday-Schools.

SPECIAL NOTES.

If the churches desire to appear in these important annual records in full, pastors and church clerks should see to it that their statistical reports are completely filled out and returned promptly. The Secretary is a poor guesser, and does not care to display his ignorance.

Expenses of Young People's Societies are added in with church expenses. The benevolence of these societies is reckoned in the column of "Young People's Benevolence."

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES AND SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

CHURCHES IN ASHFORD ASSOCIATION.	When Organized.	Pastors and Date of Settlement.	Clerks.	Increase.				Decrease.				Gain.	Loss.	Pres't Condition.				Sunday-school.			Value of Church Property free of Debt.
				Baptism.	Letter.	Experience.	Restoration.	Letter.	Erasure.	Exclusion.	Death.			Total Enrol'd	Res. Mem. Men.	Res. Mem. Women.	Preparing for Ministry.	Total Enrol'd	Average Attendance.	Added to Church.	
Andover,	1826	E. Hatfield....03	Edgar D. White	3	1	....	....	2	....	....	1	1	..	38	8	15	....	18	13	....	$ 2,000
Brooklyn,	1828	G. F. Genung, D. D. 05	Theo. D. Pond	....	2	....	....	4	....	....	3	..	5	94	17	35	....	57	27	....	7,500
Danielson,	1874	.....	Lester B. Arnold	15	10	2	1	4	....	....	3	21	..	264	54	127	....	240	166	11	17,000
Eastford,	1794	J. W. Higgins....04	Chas. A. Rice	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	..	..	40	16	18	....	36	37	....	2,800
Killingly, East	1776	.....	H. N. Collins	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	30	4	22	....	....	....	....	2,000
Mansfield,	1809	Leonard Smith....93	L. J. Storrs	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	93	10	29	....	60	30	....	3,500
Putnam,	1847	J. R. Stubbert....02	Louis E. Law	5	5	....	....	4	....	..	4	2	..	394	101	187	....	220	108	....	30,000
Stafford,	1809	G. W. Shepherd...02	Herb't Thresher	2	1	....	....	....	....	....	1	2	..	55	17	28	....	94	48	1	2,900
Thompson, Central	1846	O. W. Foye.....01	Stephen Ballard	2	....	....	....	1	....	....	2	..	1	135	40	69	....	160	93	....	12,500
Thompson, East	1845	Samuel Thatcher .96	Rhoda Thatcher	5	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	3	..	36	5	14	....	42	30	2	2,600
Warrenville,	1848	G. C. Chappell....94	Z. B. Bicknell	....	2	....	....	1	....	....	....	1	..	62	18	36	....	77	27	....	4,000
Westford,	1884	J. W. Higgins....04	A. G. Barlow	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	43	9	21	....	30	16	....	2,500
Willimantic,	1827	O. R. O. Farel....05	W. N. Potter	....	....	....	1	7	1	....	6	..	13	331	58	135	....	179	85	....	24,000
Willington	1828	Charles W. Wolfe.04	Estella J. Pratt	3	....	....	....	....	1	....	2	..	..	108	19	58	....	96	62	2	3,500
Woodstock, South	1792	R. H. Sherman....04	Harris L. Sanger	6	5	...	....	2	....	....	1	8	..	62	18	24	....	64	26	6	4,000
Woodstock, West	1766	A. J. Wilcox.....02	Judson Gage	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	1	..	2	61	12	20	....	45	30	....	5,400
Totals..Churches, 16	....	Pastors.....13	.....	41	26	2	2	25	3	....	28	17	..	1,846	406	838	....	1,438	798	?	$149,200

FINANCIAL TABLES.

Churches in Ashford Association.	Home Expenses.		Benevolent Contributions.												Money Raised for all Purposes.
	Church.	School.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Woman's Home Missions.	Woman's Foreign Missions.	Youth's Missionary Societies.	Bible and Publication Society.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' and Widows' Fund and Home.	Support of Church Poor.	Other Objects.	Sunday-School Benevolence.	Total Benevolence.	
Andover	$381 50	$5 00	$5 00	$6 00	$6 00	$4 00	$4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$3 85	$28 85	$410 35
Brooklyn	695 66	10 72	23 25	9 50	10 88	11 95	10 25	$23 91	.....	$5 50	.....	$11 26	.....	5 00	109 24	815 62
Danielson	1688 87	173 95	35 92	13 39	44 00	62 80	75 00	71 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	322 51	2,184 33
Eastford	321 00	15 84	22 00	8 25	7 25	.....	.....	5 00	$3 67	.....	.....	.....	$20 00	.....	66 17	403 01
Killingly, East	40 18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 18
Mansfield	515 09	16 00	6 50	42 52	42 00	21 00	25 00	.....	9 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 00	159 02	690 11
Putnam	1679 81	71 99	20 25	40 93	42 88	70 00	50 00	60 70	24 07	.....	$6 00	35 00	.....	96 56	446 39	2,198 19
Stafford	757 64	76 01	29 00	12 26	15 34	15 34	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	2 00	78 94	912 62
Thompson, Central	1139 00	102 00	.....	39 70	38 95	26 54	42 00	116 36	.....	13 75	.....	.....	32 70	.....	310 00	1,551 02
Thompson, East	252 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 00	268 00
Warrenville	611 29	25 32	6 00	8 33	6 52	23 00	15 00	6 00	3 51	2 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	72 36	708 97
Westford	155 16	.....	6 00	5 00	4 00	.....	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	3 00	.....	21 00	176 16
Willimantic	3062 38	171 46	77 73	22 36	11 83	68 22	50 00	32 50	.....	11 13	.....	71 00	9 10	.....	353 87	3,587 71
Willington	805 00	51 07	41 00	34 57	30 00	25 25	23 25	19 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27 03	200 10	1,058 17
Woodstock, South	826 75	12 46	6 75	3 00	3 00	11 68	10 18	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 00	44 61	883 82
Woodstock, West	471 00	20 00	.....	.....	7 00	6 50	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 91	30 41	521 41
Totals	$13,402 33	763 85	279 40	245 81	269 63	346 28	320 68	334 87	46 25	32 38	8 00	117 26	69 80	157 35	2,249 47	16,409 65

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES AND SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Churches in Fairfield Association.	When Organized.	Pastors and Date of Settlement.	Clerks.	Increase.				Decrease.				Gain.	Loss.	Pres't Condition.			Sunday-school.			Value of Church Property free of Debt.
				Baptism.	Letter.	Experience.	Restoration.	Letter.	Erasure.	Exclusion.	Death.			Total Enrol'd	Res. Mem. Men.	Res. Mem. Women.	Total Enrol'd	Average Attendance.	Added to Church.	
Banksville	1853	Francis Purvis....04	Mrs. R. Ingersoll	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	80	..	80	.....	.....	75	30	....	$7,000
Bridgeport, First	1837	G. W. Nicholson ..94	George H. Noble	20	15	6	....	24	7	....	5	5	..	682	.....	.....	573	346	13	106,500
" German	1888	C. A. Gruhn.....03	John Reif	5	....	....	....	1	3	....	1	....	..	60	20	40	67	57	....	6,700
" Immanuel	1886	C. L. Chamberlain 04	Mrs. H B. Wier	23	3	....	....	6	....	....	....	20	..	113	33	50	142	65	14	4,400
" Messiah	1888	W. N. Morton.....88	P. C. James	7	....	....	....	3	....	2	....	2	..	130	.....	.....	115	75	2	16,000
" Second	1871	E. E. Loux 01	Louis J. Wood	16	15	....	2	5	6	....	3	19	..	278	.....	.....	216	150	11	27,000
" Swede	1882	Thomas Clafford..98	M. Anderson	4	6	....	....	11	3	2	....	....	6	158	41	105	172	100	....	5,000
Danbury, New Hope	1896	T. W. Garnett....97	H. D. Kearney	6	1	5	2	2	....	....	1	11	..	39	.....	.....	25	10	....	.....
" Second	1790	C. B. Bolles.....04	Matthew Barber.	52	6	1	2	5	1	....	8	47	..	509	.....	.....	216	138	49	63,100
Easton	1831	H. S. Davis.....05	C. S. Powell	....	4	....	....	11	....	....	2	....	9	75	28	47	61	22	....	4,500
Greenwich	1697	D. C. Thomas 03	James R. Drew	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	1	69	24	45	25	15	....	1,000
New Canaan	1873	.....	E. M. Weed	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	3,000
New Milford	1812	S. D. Woods 05	F. E. Baldwin	....	2	....	....	4	....	....	1	....	3	55	10	20	55	34	....	2,400
Norwalk, First	1837	DeW. T. VanDoren 99	James Evenden.	7	1	....	....	5	19	....	....	....	16	117	.....	.....	101	67	7	5,000
" Grace	1890	D. S. Thomas.....05	Ella Hamlet	1	....	....	....	1	10	1	1	....	12	47	9	38	81	40	....	2,400
Rowayton	1859	F. C. Brown.....99	Jos. S. Pennell	8	2	....	....	1	....	....	2	7	..	91	.....	.....	75	58	....	9,800
South Norwalk	1859	H. B. Carpenter...02	H.C. Sherer, M.D.	46	8	16	1	....	1	....	2	69	..	385	.....	.....	270	173	....	30,200
Stamford, First	1773	J. W. Richardson..03	E. S. Waterbury.	29	6	3	1	5	1	4	7	22	..	385	.....	.....	138	116	....	60,000
" Italian	1902	V. di Domenica....03	Rev. di Domenica	13	1	8	2	....	....	....	....	24	..	30	18	11	46	24	....	3,000
" Union	1891	W. O. Harris 95	Samuel Townes.	3	2	3	....	1	....	....	....	7	..	100	.....	.....	100	70	....	5,000
Stepney	1848	Robert Duncan....05	Burr Hawley	....	2	....	....	2	....	....	1	....	1	101	.....	.....	103	43	....	7,500
Stratfield	1751	T. G. Denchfield ..00	Geo. A. Sturges.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	51	.....	.....	50	30	....	9,000
Stratford, First	1878	D. E. Meyers..... 05	R. S. Adams	....	....	....	2	1	....	1	1	....	1	39	9	10	.....	.....	....	1,000
" Pilgrim	1902	R. F. Thomas 05	Miss H. Johnson	2	....	3	....	....	....	....	....	5	..	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	1,100
White Hills	1838	A. A. Bickford.....01	George W. Drew	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	2	....	3	30	7	16	45	23	....	5,100
Totals.....Churches, 25	....	Pastors,.....24	.....	242	74	45	12	88	52	10	38	266	..	3,669	?	?	2,727	1,686	?	$388,700

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Churches in Fairfield Association.	Home Expenses.		Benevolent Contributions.															Money Raised for all Purposes.
	Church.	School.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Woman's Home Missions.	Woman's Foreign Missions.	Youth's Missionary Societies.	Bible and Publication Society.	Ministerial Education.	Minister's and Widow's Fund and Home.	Support of Church Poor.	Other Objects.	Sunday-School Benevolence.	Total Benevolence.	
Banksville	$557 50	$30 00	.....	$7 50	$7 50	.....	.....	.....	$3 00	$12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	$30 00	$617 50
Bridgeport, First	6,770 40	715 43	$450 00	653 54	655 00	$217 93	$92 46	$323 91	30 00	56 00	$255 00	$224 67	$779 50	$28 50	3,766 51	11,252 34
" German	553 59	30 17	27 00	27 00	16 42	.....	.....	53 70	7 00	11 25	3 25	.....	1 10	31 17	177 89	761 56
" Immanuel	1,170 83	125 91	8 00	10 05	10 00	4 50	1 00	9 29	3 25	1 00	4 60	.....	77 73	2 25	131 67	1,428 41
" Messiah	1,532 00	55 00	20 00	14 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 00	.....	.....	80 25	.....	125 25	1,712 25
" Second	4,880 50	94 45	53 05	14 27	14 28	28 05	18 20	5 50	.....	14 27	11 29	45 88	.....	7 00	211 79	5,186 74
" Swede	2,456 16	193 23	2 68	5 00	24 00	.....	.....	33 50	.....	.....	.....	68 80	209 90	.....	340 88	2,990 27
Danbury, New Hope	266 75	.....	2 00	11 00	1 75	.....	.....	.....	7 00	.....	.....	.....	16 75	.....	38 50	305 25
" Second	3,500 00	228 00	25 00	25 00	21 00	7 50	7 50	9 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	15 00	115 00	3,843 00
Easton	543 00	21 66	11 75	5 87	5 88	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	25 50	590 16
Greenwich	1,400 50	.....	.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	13 00	1,413 50
New Canaan	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
New Milford	554 34	28 63	20 00	6 25	6 25	20 60	37 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	17 25	65 50	20 00	197 85	780 82
Norwalk, First	2,256 55	124 23	.....	.....	25 85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 00	.....	10 00	16 85	.....	63 74	2,444 52
" Grace	700 00	60 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 25	.....	.....	3 25	763 25
Rowayton	4,427 26	141 74	20 00	.....	.....	5 00	15 00	40 91	.....	.....	9 00	.....	16 30	1 00	31 60	138 80	4,707 80
South Norwalk	1,680 50	207 12	221 45	200 00	300 00	125 00	128 00	51 90	11 85	.....	71 52	.....	89 00	99 39	90 82	1388 93	3,276 55
Stamford, First	3,671 32	152 18	11 00	98 99	85 16	168 24	234 00	25 00	22 89	.....	21 50	403 50	426 13	45 15	1541 56	5,365 06
" Italian	51 17	.....	7 00	7 76	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 00	27 76	88 93
" Union	801 00	.....	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	4 00	805 00
Stepney	828 00	.....	11 10	10 00	11 00	16 00	26 00	6 00	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	10 00	100 10	929 10
Stratfield	802 50	40 00	5 05	5 05	5 05	13 00	20 00	.....	3 70	3 70	3 00	.....	120 15	7 50	186 20	1,028 70
Stratford, First	251 00	.....	.....	50	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	50	.....	.....	2 00	253 00
" Pilgrim	66 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	66 70
White Hills	405 00	10 00	10 00	3 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 00	433 00
Totals	$40,127 48	2,257 75	906 08	1,112 78	1,195 64	605 82	579 16	567 71	88 69	109 22	405 66	881 15	1,894 09	305 99	8,648 18	51,044 41

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Churches in Hartford Association.	When Organized.	Pastors and Date of Settlement.	Clerks.	Increase.				Decrease.						Pres't Condition.			Sunday-school.			Value of Church Property free of Debt.
				Baptism.	Letter.	Experience.	Restoration.	Letter.	Erasure.	Exclusion.	Death.	Gain.	Loss.	Total Enrolled	Res. Mem. Men.	Res. Mem. Women.	Total Enrolled	Average Attendance.	Added to Church.	
Bantam	1850	P. S. Collins.....05	Edgar F. Wedge.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	32	6	13	21	12	....	$1,250
Bloomfield	1786	H. M. Wolf, Jr.....03	A. Kelly	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	2	..	1	46	14	21	47	37	....	4,200
Bristol	1791	Henry Clarke.....01	Wm. W. Russell.	23	6	....	....	9	5	....	12	3	..	472	135	274	381	184	....	30,000
Canton	1787	F. H. Cooper.....04	Loyal Higley....	2	4	....	....	....	....	....	1	5	..	36	13	18	69	27	2	5,000
Colebrook, North	1794	W. P. Bartlett.....05	O. W. Oles	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	2	7	1	2	42	20	....	3,000
" South	1848	W. P. Bartlett.....05	G. W. Demming	....	2	....	....	3	....	....	....	....	1	47	13	14	32	20	....	2,500
Cornwall, East	1786	P. S. Collins.....04	Amy M. Hoffman	....	4	....	....	1	....	....	....	3	..	52	13	20	34	27	....	1,000
Cornwall Hollow	1844	P. S. Collins.....04	E. H. Ocain	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	2	21	2	4	21	12	....	1,000
Hartford, Asylum Ave.	1872	G. M. Stone, D.D...79	C. F. Gordon	4	12	....	....	9	4	....	1	2	..	294	89	164	179	98	4	$1,000
" First	1790	Harold Pattison....96	C. P. Gladding	16	15	5	....	15	4	....	12	5	..	701	.....	.....	522	210	8	100,000
" Memorial	1894	H. M. Thompson..88	A. O. Dole	9	3	1	....	14	4	....	4	9	9	273	98	156	285	180	9	20,000
" Olivet	1896	S. G. Hastings.....02	Alfred A. Guild.	6	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6	..	88	17	47	110	74	4	3,000
" Shiloh	1890	W. A. Harrod 04	Peter Wood	4	6	3	....	....	....	....	....	13	..	163	46	87	76	40	1	5 000
" South	1835	Wm. H. Main, D.D.03	W. C. Auger	12	11	3	....	8	....	....	7	11	..	545	174	303	267	142	7	83,500
" Swede	1888	N. E. Valerius 05	Chas. R. Jackson	7	8	1	2	5	6	1	....	6	..	112	.....	.....	81	63	....	10,000
" Union	1874	Walter Gay.....00	H. S. Johnson...	3	5	13	1	....	....	....	2	20	..	260	76	184	130	80	2	5,000
New Britain, First	1808	T. E. Brown, D. D.04	W. F. Walker...	3	10	3	....	8	....	....	5	3	..	524	.....	.....	385	249	3	70,600
" German	1883	P.A. Friederichsen.01	R. A. Meyer.....	10	3	....	....	....	....	2	2	9	..	145	54	91	130	95	1	6,500
" Swede, E.	1883	J. E. Klingberg.....00	Emil Peterson...	2	2	1	1	2	....	5	1	2	2	125	38	72	85	60	....	8,000
Plainville	1852	.....	A. H. Condell ...	5	....	3	....	....	....	....	....	8	..	85	24	27	75	50	5	6,000
Rockville	1832	Geo. D. Gould.....00	Louis B. Denby..	11	....	2	....	3	....	....	....	10	..	140	47	72	126	74	10	12,000
South Windsor	1823	James M. Lent.....04	A. E. Stiles	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	83	16	33	75	41	....	6,500
Suffield, First	1769	.....	F. E. Hastings..	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	1	..	73	25	48	.....	.....	....	4,500
" Second	1805	R. C. Hull 04	W. J. Wilson...	4	7	....	....	11	1	....	4	5	39	396	98	162	177	96	4	30,500
" Third	1905	David H. Drew....05	W. C. Morgan...	....	9	4	....	....	....	....	....	13	..	13	4	9	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tariffville	1833	A. B. Todd.....03	Wm. H. Pease...	6	1	1	....	....	....	....	1	7	..	60	18	21	46	33	6	5,000
Torrington, Calvary	1896	.....	W. E. Bennett...	14	4	....	....	6	....	....	4	8	..	148	49	64	140	97	5	13,500
West Hartford	1858	E. K. Jordon 05	B. M. Desjardins	....	....	1	....	9	....	....	1	....	9	36	8	10	32	20	....	6,000
Wethersfield	1782	J. B. Connell.....03	Mrs. W. Coudray	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	..	37	13	24	18	16	....	8,000
Winsted	1890	F. D. Elmer.....01	G. A. Sanford....	17	7	....	....	9	....	....	2	13	..	217	53	148	140	80	12	11,000
Totals.....Churches 30		Pastors 25		159	120	41	4	115	24	8	64	113	..	5,231	?	?	3,726	2,137	?	$513,550

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Churches in Hartford Association	Home Expenses.		Benevolent Contributions.															Money Raised for all Purposes.
	Church.	School.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Woman's Home Missions.	Woman's Foreign Missions.	Youth's Missionary Societies.	Bible and Publication Society.	Ministerial Education.	Minister's and Widow's Fund and Home.	Support of Church Poor	Other Objects	Sunday School Benevolence.	Total Benevolence.	
Bantam	$94 50	$12 00	$7 00	.....	$2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$9 00	$115 50
Bloomfield	692 77	41 46	10 51	$7 00	8 00	$4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	$4 00	.....	.....	$23 12	56 63	790 86
Bristol	3,985 46	155 27	68 00	80 93	80 00	50 50	$72 00	$108 79	.....	.....	.....	$200 25	$85 29	20 00	765 76	4,866 49
Canton	440 87	10 24	5 00	4 60	4 00	.....	.....	1 00	$2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	21 00	472 11
Colebrook, North	133 50	1 57	3 00	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	7 00	142 07
" South	271 00	17 34	3 00	2 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	13 00	301 34
Cornwall, East	249 18	20 96	8 25	2 50	3 50	.....	.....	3 00	3 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	22 50	293 64
" Hollow	191 00	4 98	5 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 00	203 98
Hartford, Asylum Ave	5,501 78	188 72	185 92	128 16	174 44	81 88	130 00	15 76	.....	$68 39	15 00	17 00	140 00	.....	956 55	5,647 05
" First	13,283 00	423 00	480 00	300 00	800 00	192 00	96 00	451 00	100 00	48 00	10 00	446 00	707 00	.....	3,630 00	17,336 00
" Memorial	3,122 89	144 45	75 00	45 35	58 25	30 00	25 07	117 65	5 80	16 70	.....	93 00	72 00	86 64	625 46	3,892 80
" Olivet	1,101 00	91 11	19 06	11 44	11 84	12 95	7 95	12 25	.....	.....	6 45	.....	8 93	.....	90 87	1,282 98
" Shiloh	2,765 00	60 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	15 00	2,840 00
" South	6,562 67	287 35	120 50	166 40	168 50	66 05	66 98	154 00	5 00	88 00	55 41	160 50	629 66	20 00	1,701 00	8,951 02
" Swede	1,189 37	57 17	22 00	19 75	15 00	.....	.....	69 80	.....	.....	.....	71 50	125 86	.....	323 91	1,570 45
" Union	1,228 84	55 00	30 05	17 50	.....	.....	.....	36 50	.....	.....	23 03	.....	25 00	15 09	147 08	1,485 06
New Britain, First	5,412 64	341 13	110 69	55 08	564 78	89 48	89 48	79 15	.....	8 97	.....	131 00	.....	15 00	1,143 63	6,897 40
" German	1,238 10	109 51	22 10	40 00	37 25	.....	.....	10 00	7 90	21 50	5 00	52 00	5 00	45 90	246 65	1,594 26
" Swede, E.	996 07	66 22	18 28	18 82	5 58	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 65	.....	20 08	186 60	.....	256 01	1,318 30
Plainville	607 00	77 05	.....	.....	.....	14 50	22 50	13 37	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 37	734 42
Rockville	1,403 87	65 00	5 38	8 39	7 82	10 00	10 00	20 00	.....	4 00	.....	10 00	.....	13 56	89 15	1,558 02
South Windsor	1,019 35	38 39	5 00	8 00	6 00	10 00	7 60	.....	15 50	.....	3 00	.....	3 00	5 00	62 50	1,120 24
Suffield, First	751 50	.....	11 40	.....	15 00	4 50	4 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	37 40	788 90
" Second	5,242 02	208 58	25 00	300 00	275 00	200 00	145 00	67 00	.....	.....	.....	188 00	.....	51 60	1,251 60	6,702 22
" Third	280 11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 00	2 50	.....	10 50	290 61
Tariffville	744 00	31 50	15 00	3 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	18 63	43 63	819 13
Torrington, Calvary	1,716 43	184 14	26 03	18 70	19 73	13 81	13 81	10 00	9 55	7 60	7 60	.....	154 22	.....	251 05	2,180 62
West Hartford	374 94	14 85	10 00	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	51 25	3 60	74 85	389 79
Wethersfield	750 00	12 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	14 00	776 00
Winsted	2,388 88	96 10	17 66	9 47	9 47	3 00	3 00	36 00	6 13	3 17	.....	15 00	24 23	41 00	168 13	2,653 11
Totals	$64,137 74	2,814 09	1,313 83	1,256 49	2,284 16	782 67	693 29	1,207 27	156 13	272 98	131 49	1,417 33	2,222 54	374 05	12,122 23	78,014 45

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES AND SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

CHURCHES IN NEW HAVEN ASSOCIATION.	When Organized.	Pastors and Date of Settlement.	Clerks.	Increase.				Decrease.						Pres't Condition.			Sunday-school.			
				Baptism.	Letter.	Exp'rience.	Restoration	Letter.	Erasure.	Exclusion	Death.	Gain.	Loss.	Total Enrolled.	Res Mem. Men.	Res Mem. W'm'n	Total Enrolled	Average Attendance.	Added to Church	Value of Church Property Free of Debt.
Ansonia, First	1874	W. D. McKinney..84	W. H. Fielding	....	5	....	..	8	4	....	4	....	11	438	128	234	278	166	....	$ 26,000
" Macedonia	1840	L. B. Goodall 05	P. B. Burbridge	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	....	..	66	.....	.....	75	55	....	5,800
Branford	1833	F. St. John Fitch..02	Mrs. E. M Fowler	1	2	....	..	1	1	....	4	....	3	123	32	50	110	45	..	10,000
Cheshire	1803	G. H. Gardner.....02	Miss Carrie Cook	4	....	....	..	..	....	....	....	4	.	24	5	5	10	7	3	5,000
Chester	1833	M. Stadtfeld.....99	H. E. Williams	....	....	....	..	1	....	....	4	....	5	162	35	76	129	52	....	13,500
Clinton	1797	L. B. Curtis 04	W. H. Kelsey and	3	9	....	..	5	....	....	1	6	....	122	28	53	78	34	1	6,000
Cromwell	1802	W. S. Middlemass.05	A. Boardman	2	1	....	..	4	....	....	4	....	5	92	13	26	78	40	1	6,500
Deep River	1835	J. H. Messenger....04	E. S. Norton	4	2	....	..	3	2	....	7	....	6	215	56	111	180	91	4	12,500
Essex	1811	W. G. Thomas.....00	Joseph H. Pratt	2	....	....	..	3	....	..	8	....	9	209	47	115	115	56	1	14,500
Haddam(P O.Shailerville)	1822	.....	Mrs S. S. Gilbert	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	4	....	4	21	1	8	.....	.....	....	5,000
Meriden, First	1786	R. A. Ashworth 06	F S. Hubbard	16	8	1	1	11	19	..	5	....	9	597	164	349	*553	*335	15	20,000
" German	1873	J. C Huber.....04	John Gunther	7	5	....	..	5	3	....	..	4	....	96	.....	.....	88	70	7	8,000
" Main St.	1861	A. E. Harris.....03	Mrs. E. J. Baggs.	28	9	....	..	4	....	....	4	29	....	378	100	153	225	135	25	43,800
" Swede	1887	Robert Larson 04	N. E. Johnson	6	....	....	1	6	....	..	..	1	....	118	45	73	112	70	..	8,325
Middletown	1795	W. F. Rowley 02	H. E. Bidwell	23	5	2	..	8	1	..	10	11	....	460	109	200	267	140	16	18,400
Milford	1895	.....	Frank Wallace	1	....	1	1	....	....	17	....	....	14	26	9	13	42	18	.	800
Montowese	1811	J. M. Wells.....04	J. L. Larkins	....	2	....	..	2	....	....	2	....	2	66	13	28	110	76	....	7,500
Naugatuck	1901	C C. Smith 04	Isaac A. Morse	....	2	....	..	....	....	....	....	2	....	19	5	8	78	40	..	3,000
New Haven, Calvary	1871	Geo. H. Ferris....03	A. J. Ward	59	36	3	1	34	2	....	6	57	....	1,120	.....	.....	803	333	63	112,225
" First	1816	Frederick Lent ...04	Frank Nicholas	20	8	1	4	12	3	....	11	7	....	545	179	366	248	190	20	64,000
" German	1857	Otto Koenig.....01	F. Klannig	13	1	1	..	8	3	2	....	2	....	167	46	110	152	110	8	21,000
" Grand Ave.	1871	Charles G. Smith ..05	Melville M.Gown	...	3	....	..	17	32	..	2	....	48	279	104	160	255	124	..	6,000
" Howard Ave.	1891	C. K. Flanders 04	W. H. Partello	24	20	7	..	3	....	....	4	44	....	190	61	115	177	104	18	11,850
" Immanuel	1845	A. C. Powell, D. D.93	No report	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	†425	.....	.....	†116	†98	....	†25,600
" Olivet	1894	.....	Henry K. Trask	12	10	1	..	3	....	....	1	19	....	192	.....	.....	180	124	8	5,000
" Swede	1882	.....	O. W. Engstrom	12	8	2	..	1	....	2	..	19	....	118	26	53	75	50	2	3,200
Plantsville	1872	G. H. Gardner.....01	Julius Bond	2	....	....	..	3	....	..	1	....	2	113	18	61	80	44	2	8,000
Saybrook(P.O.DeepRiver)	1744	J. H. Messenger....01	Flora L. Hull	....	....	....	..	3	....	....	..	....	3	28	1	9	40	25	....	4,200
Shelton	1882	G. D. Reid 04	F. N. Barrett	....	15	....	3	2	....	....	..	16	....	93	23	36	90	47	....	7,900
Southington	1738	W. V. Gray.....02	N. A. Barnes	23	1	....	..	..	....	....	1	23	....	163	.....	.....	154	106	....	13,000
Wallingford	1817	W. A. Spinney ..04	John H. Arthur	16	6	2	..	8	1	....	2	13	....	340	106	172	235	123	11	31,000
Waterbury, First	1803	Oscar Haywood ...07	E. D. Stanton	78	41	1	..	65	5	1	5	44	....	934	300	500	955	375	....	75,000
" German	1894	.....	H. J.Smithausler	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
" Grace	1900	L. W. Reed..... 01	A. N. Walker	12	....	16	1	....	5	....	1	23	....	124	54	70	94	45	8	3,750
" Second	1892	F. L. Brooks.....03	F. C. Lowrey	9	2	....	1	6	....	....	2	4	....	93	20	42	105	82	6	8,500
" Tabernncle	1905	A. O. Lawrence ...03	Nils Hilding	5	3	....	..	1	....	....	....	7	....	57	22	35	45	40	2	7,300
Yalesville	1879	B. F. Hurlburt.....02	W. T. McKenzie	....	....	....	..	7	....	....	....	....	7	77	.....	.....	70	43	....	4,000
Totals.....Churches, 37	....	Pastors.....31		382	204	38	13	234	81	22	93	207	....	8,307	?	?	6,402	3,493	?	$517,350

* Includes two mission Bible schools. † Figures taken from last year's report. ‡ Excellent year, large results. Combined report next year.

FINANCIAL TABLES.

Churches in New Haven Association.	Home Expenses.		Benevolent Contributions.														Money Raised for all Purposes.
	Church.	School.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Woman's Home Missions.	Woman's Foreign Missions.	Youth's Missionary Societies.	Bible and Publication Society.	Minister'l Educat'n.	Min. and Wid. Fund and Home	Support of Church Poor.	Other Objects.	Sunday-School Benev.	Total Benev.	
Ansonia, First	$2,637 05	$200 28	$97 71	$ 92 85	$107 62	$ 19 58	$ 19 58	$145 50	.....	.....	$16 62	$ 45 65	$ 11 57	$ 72 63	$ 629 51	$3,466 64
" Macedonia	700 00	25 00	2 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	730 00
Branford	1,211 80	75 00	8 00	5 00	8 00	.....	.....	25 00	10 00	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	71 15	1,159 95
Cheshire	148 47	.....	25 00	1 50	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28 50	176 97
Chester	1,076 79	54 42	.....	.....	.....	.....	27 45	26 50	8 08	.....	6 83	.....	.....	14 85	83 71	1,214 92
Clinton	943 68	26 24	13 50	11 00	19 50	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 15	71 15	1,041 07
Cromwell	662 10	44 21	20 00	21 05	25 65	26 19	30 00	7 85	.....	.....	8 00	.....	.....	21 12	159 86	866 16
Deep River	1,696 60	173 31	115 00	89 45	90 28	22 00	46 50	65 87	.....	23 06	.....	271 35	.....	40 10	769 61	2,639 52
Essex	1,674 55	35 00	57 50	19 95	63 11	28 00	30 50	.....	17 42	14 45	27 00	.....	.....	10 00	267 93	1,977 48
Haddam (P.O. Shai'lle)	1 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	3 00
Meriden, First	6,212 10	417 82	135 84	190 14	221 06	122 15	178 15	100 70	64 01	34 50	40 56	54 76	316 89	176 43	1,635 19	8,265 71
" German	1,448 23	35 00	7 50	40 00	21 00	.....	.....	10 00	19 75	16 00	5 00	.....	79 01	43 00	241 26	1,724 54
" Main Street	2,615 49	87 67	15 00	33 00	20 10	50 00	65 50	45 00	.....	.....	.....	29 02	114 89	65 00	437 51	3,140 67
" Swede	1,259 91	44 22	.....	50 00	20 34	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	14 00	20 25	3 12	127 71	1,431 84
Middletown	2,499 19	371 97	60 00	10 87	19 42	170 25	50 00	15 00	.....	.....	.....	175 00	100 00	15 00	615 54	2,486 20
Milford	500 00	6 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 00	3 00	.....	9 00	515 40
Montowese	688 49	25 00	12 29	18 05	15 50	14 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 53	80 37	793 86
Naugatuck	877 00	35 51	13 95	4 50	1 50	.....	.....	2 00	5 00	.....	3 00	4 32	.....	3 00	37 27	949 78
New Haven, Calvary	6,974 01	869 91	247 97	305 08	423 43	62 38	65 62	160 00	.....	86 45	.....	388 43	1,034 06	50 33	2,823 75	10,667 67
" First	4,717 45	.....	54 06	133 26	160 79	134 24	133 75	31 50	.....	.....	.....	295 50	151 54	.....	1,094 64	6,906 73
" German	1,365 92	118 64	20 00	17 45	25 00	16 00	37 00	6 00	10 00	23 70	.....	50 00	158 69	28 05	385 80	1,870 36
" Grand Ave	2,541 12	70 00	40 55	25 00	29 80	12 00	22 00	205 82	.....	14 00	.....	41 00	9 25	20 00	437 42	3,048 54
" Howard Ave	4,498 38	128 56	17 00	10 00	13 35	9 94	10 19	5 00	.....	.....	.....	5 00	16 75	.....	87 23	4,714 17
" Immanuel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" Olivet	1,716 80	163 88	38 53	8 80	20 00	13 00	20 25	27 54	6 75	6 10	4 28	5 00	131 13	22 00	303 38	2,184 06
" Swede	1,050 67	.....	10 00	.....	20 12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	48 26	.....	.....	78 38	1,129 05
Plantsville	1,249 01	42 29	30 25	.....	.....	9 70	12 00	34 20	4 80	.....	5 00	.....	.....	7 50	103 45	1,394 75
Saybr'k (P.O. D'p River)	391 30	10 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 00	407 30
Shelton	918 42	45 19	10 00	.....	7 50	19 35	8 55	12 50	.....	2 00	.....	8 00	.....	5 00	72 90	1,036 51
Southington	1,495 14	167 69	32 40	39 45	68 25	87 26	.....	8 23	.....	.....	.....	22 85	.....	5 50	263 94	1,826 77
Wallingford	3,571 57	92 42	140 12	70 12	278 38	87 00	72 05	75 40	15 73	43 15	15 00	55 60	18 35	35 37	906 33	4,570 32
Waterbury, First	6,917 83	.....	285 00	195 33	365 06	57 49	62 06	94 63	22 61	20 55	.....	264 31	783 50	.....	1,936 36	8,854 19
" German	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" Grace	913 65	40 00	5 00	3 00	2 00	.....	.....	11 00	.....	.....	.....	29 35	32 27	6 00	88 62	1,042 27
" Second	1,387 07	94 65	5 00	4 25	4 20	5 00	5 00	17 00	4 80	.....	2 25	12 00	105 30	.....	164 80	1,646 52
" Tabernacle	631 50	75 00	14 00	10 00	5 00	.....	.....	50 00	3 40	.....	.....	50 00	30 00	10 00	172 40	878 90
Yalesville	1,161 11	57 15	9 00	19 75	29 14	14 00	14 00	10 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	6 50	107 39	1,325 65
Totals	$ 68,064 05	3,632 43	1,546 17	1,433 80	2,095 10	1,008 98	934 20	1,178 88	174 27	283 96	141 54	1,827 14	3,158 62	710 33	14,306 85	92,910 06

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES AND SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Churches in New London Association.	When Organized.	Pastors and Date of Settlement.	Clerks.	Increase.				Decrease.						Pres't Condition.			Sunday-school			Value of Church Property Free of Debt.
				Baptism.	Letter.	Experience.	Restoration.	Letter.	Erasure.	Exclusion.	Death.	Gain.	Loss.	Total Enrol'd	Res. Mem. Men.	Res. Mem. Women.	Total Enrol'd	Average Attendance.	Added to Church	
Bozrah	1831		Mrs. E. Dolbeare	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	92	.....	.....	54	50	....	$2,500
Chesterfield	1824	No report		....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	1,500
Colchester Borough	1830	C. I. Ramsey 01	E R.Sherman, Jr.	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	2	..	1	98	32	66	60	30	....	3,500
" Scott s Hill	1780		Orrin M. Price	....	....	....	....	3	....	....	3	..	6	62	14	16	.....	.....	....	2,000
E. Had'm (P.O. Moodus)	1810	No report.		....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	3,600
Fitchville	1887	R. E. Turner 91	Frank A. Tracy	6	....	....	....	3	....	....	....	3	....	75	24	32	70	45	5	2,500
Lake's Pond	1842	C. M. Reed 03	May A. Chappell	2	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	63	10	13	.....	.....	....	1,800
Lebanon	1805	R. E. Turner 92	N. C. Barker	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	..	1	213	.....	.....	50	26	....	4,000
Lyme, East	1769	C. M. Reed 98	J. E. Watrous	13	2	1	1	3	4	....	1	9	....	171	32	60	105	45	5	4,000
" North	1810	J. A. Peake 03	C. S. Jewett	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	3	..	4	115	.....	.....	63	37	....	2,500
" Old	1846		E. G. Caulkins	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	3	..	3	86	20	35	68	25	....	5,300
Montville, Union	1842	E. Sanderson 03	M. V.B. Brainard	24	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	23	....	171	.....	.....	141	71	15	7,000
New London, First	1804	F. G. McKeever 93	Joseph Starr	26	12	1	....	6	1	1	18	13	....	401	.....	.....	351	187	....	35,000
" Huntington St.	1849	Joseph A. Elder 99	W. M. Slocum	23	5	1	....	6	....	....	7	16	....	426	.....	.....	249	155	19	20,000
" Shiloh	1894	M R. Roscoe 05	Mrs. Lucy Leeks	2	....	2	3	2	4	2	4	..	5	50	14	36	100	60	....	1,300
Niantic	1843		J. A. Stanton	1	1	....	....	1	....	....	3	..	2	177	53	88	169	63	....	4,000
Norwich, Central	1840	P. C. Wright 02	Geo. A. Smith	33	9	....	....	13	2	....	11	16	....	672	180	341	432	255	14	54,500
" First	1800	H. E. Wise 97	F. D. Davis	6	4	....	....	6	....	....	6	..	2	264	60	162	260	150	6	16,850
" Mt. Calvary	1871	J. F. Robinson 00	Wm. Mallison	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	1	220	50	100	100	60	....	2,350
" Third	1845	C. L. Snow 04	E. M. Newbury	9	....	....	....	4	....	....	3	2	....	131	40	91	112	76	....	11,150
Salem, P. O. Gardner's L	1767		Ichabod Stoddard	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	..	1	31	6	7	.....	.....	....	4,200
Waterford, First	1710	Wm. Gussman .. 03	Park B. Smith	2	2	....	1	10	....	....	6	..	11	362	159	203	126	65	2	14,400
" 2d (P.O.Qua.H.)	1835	F. D. Luddington.03	Mrs. L. Comstock	5	4	....	....	4	....	....	1	4	....	135	38	56	132	58	....	4,300
Totals.....Churches, 23	....	Pastors.....14		152	41	5	5	65	12	3	73	50	....	4,075	?	?	2,642	1,458	?	211,850

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Churches in New London Association.	Home Expenses.		Benevolent Contributions.															Money Raised for all Purposes.
	Church.	School.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Woman's Home Missions.	Woman's Foreign Missions.	Youth's Missionary Societies.	Bible and Publication Society	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' and Widows' Fund and Home.	Support of Church Poor.	Other Objects.	Sunday-School Benevolence.	Total Benevolence.	
Bozrah	$ 602 00	.....	$ 60 60	$ 13 78	$ 25 44	$15 00	$ 28 00	.....	$12 12	$ 3 18	$ 5 83	.....	.....	$ 5 00	$ 168 95	$ 770 95
Chesterfield	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Colchester Borough	811 30	$35 00	20 25	.....	15 00	.....	.....	$ 1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36 25	882 64
" Scott's Hill	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
East Haddam	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fitchville	610 06	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	610 06
Lake's Pond	126 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$10 00	.....	10 00	136 00
Lebanon	728 00	.....	5 00	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	743 00
Lyme, East	809 95	62 67	67 75	1 50	1 50	.....	9 00	2 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 00	95 75	968 37
" North	576 35	40 00	14 71	7 00	19 55	17 25	17 25	4 00	.....	3 50	.....	.....	.....	5 00	88 26	704 61
" Old	552 00	15 00	1 00	5 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	1 50	2 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	16 50	583 50
Montville, Union	986 66	46 19	12 00	20 00	10 00	16 61	22 00	12 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	.....	15 00	.....	25 80	169 10	1,201 95
New London, First	5,395 41	216 66	171 10	70 87	122 55	135 05	95 90	171 93	57 96	38 89	61 80	140 00	$497 35	46 96	1,610 36	7,222 43
" Huntingt'n St	1,880 00	154 72	15 50	26 50	26 50	29 00	81 00	13 15	.....	.....	.....	47 12	134 33	50 56	423 66	2,458 38
" Shiloh	1,245 00	50 00	5 50	1 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 14	7 00	58 50	6 00	.....	83 74	1,378 74
Niantic	778 50	72 34	24 00	3 00	15 00	17 00	12 10	12 00	.....	5 00	5 00	.....	20 15	33 00	146 34	997 18
Norwich, Central	5,420 84	127 80	133 20	110 00	125 00	156 29	104 19	227 65	25 00	50 00	75 00	140 49	132 49	120 95	1,300 26	6,848 90
" First	2,326 50	197 27	20 00	15 00	20 23	44 66	24 25	.....	.....	3 00	5 00	20 00	5 00	15 57	172 71	2,696 48
" Mt. Calvary	1,372 00	36 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	3 0	5 00	.....	7 00	22 00	1,430 00
" Third	1,075 95	85 88	10 00	2 50	9 56	31 30	22 81	10 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14 07	100 74	1,262 57
Salem	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Waterford, First	1,258 43	95 00	7 75	.....	11 70	38 55	.....	44 14	5 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00	111 39	1,370 77
" Second	756 18	72 00	13 00	.....	14 00	9 30	7 86	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 72	.....	59 94	888 12
Totals	$ 27,312 22	1,306 53	583 36	283 15	424 63	511 16	430 36	498 37	108 83	113 71	169 63	436 11	811 04	339 91	4,630 97	33,155 65

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES AND SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

CHURCHES IN STONINGTON UNION ASSOCIATION.	When Organized.	Pastors and Date of Settlement.	Clerks.	Increase.				Decrease.				Gain.	Loss.	Pres't Condition.			Sunday-school.			Value of Church Property free of Debt.
				Baptism.	Letter.	Experience.	Restoration.	Letter.	Erasure.	Exclusion.	Death.			Total Enrol'd	Res. Mem. Men.	Res. Mem. Women.	Total Enrol'd	Average Attendance.	Added to Church.	
Groton, First	1705	H. B. Hutchins....02	Simeon Gallup..	....	....	....	....	3	....	....	2	....	5	202	35	60	153	66	....	$11,000
Groton Heights	1843	L. B. Sears.....00	J. F. Edgecomb.	2	3	....	....	5	....	....	4	....	4	281	.....	.....	229	125	2	14,000
Jewett City	1840	E. W. Potter.....04	J. E. Phillips....	70	14	3	1	4	....	....	2	82	..	263	72	117	181	.....	44	12,500
Laurel Glen	1894	.....	C. P. Holdredge.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	33	8	10	30	.....	....	2,500
Ledyard	1843	N. B. Prindle.....03	James McKenzie	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	35	15	2	500
Mystic Union	1864	Welcome E. Bates04	J. O. Fish.....	....	15	....	....	6	....	....	9	....	....	571	162	292	296	150	....	20,000
Noank	1843	Elbert E. Gates ...00	W. A. Fraser....	53	16	1	....	3	....	....	6	61	..	563	.....	.....	260	132	45	12,000
No. Stonington, First	1741	H. V. Baker.....02	Elmer E. Coon..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	1	66	.....	.....	50	24	....	2,500
" " Second	1765	.....	H. F. York	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	2	95	14	16	35	.....	....	3,000
" " Third	1828	Lucian Drury 04	G. A. Thompson	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	6	....	7	153	.....	.....	74	.....	....	3,000
Packerville	1828	J. G. Ward.....01	C. E. Hopkins...	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6	....	6	72	14	22	34	25	....	5,000
Plainfield Union	1792	John G. Stanton...03	W. Tillinghast ..	12	....	1	....	1	....	....	4	8	....	184	.....	.....	124	64	13	9,500
Poquonnock Bridge	1856	.....	Daniel Morgan..	6	1	....	....	3	....	....	4	....	....	118	.....	.....	108	59	4	3,000
Preston City	1815	N. B. Prindle.....00	F. P. Kinney	11	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	10	..	156	43	69	135	63	8	9,000
Sterling	1813	E. W. Darrow....01	Samuel P. Green	7	....	2	....	1	....	....	1	7	..	86	14	26	45	30	4	3,500
Stonington, First	1775	.....	M. A. Pendleton.	....	....	....	....	3	....	....	8	....	11	359	105	176	166	.....	....	31,000
" Third	1846	.....	Stiles H. F. Ross	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	1	....	2	21	7	9	20	10	....	2,350
Voluntown	1832	E. Dewhurst 83	G. P. Douglass ..	....	..	....	....	4	....	....	6	....	10	130	.....	.....	52	30	....	6,500
Totals.....Churches, 18		Pastors.....12		161	49	7	1	35	....	....	63	120	..	3,353	?	?	2,027	?	?	$150,850

FINANCIAL TABLES.

Churches in Stonington Union Association.	Home Expenses.		Benevolent Contributions.													Money Raised for all Purposes.
	Church.	School.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Woman's Home Missions.	Woman's Foreign Missions.	Youth's Missionary Societies.	Bible and Publication Society.	Ministerial Education.	Minister's and Widow's Fund and Home.	Support of Church Poor.	Other Objects.	Sunday-School Benevolence.	Total Benevolence.	
Groton, First	$1,052 00	$ 87 59	$ 12 00	$ 12 60	$19 00	$ 4 00	$ 4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	$ 3 00	$16 56	$21 50	$92 66	$1,232 25
Groton Heights	1,665 76	205 85	21 61	13 00	13 44	18 00	18 00	$ 7 00	$18 94	.....	$5 00	24 39	.....	58 36	197 74	2,069 35
Jewett City	1,057 85	63 50	40 21	16 66	46 05	50 00	55 00	140 89	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	348 85	1,470 20
Laurel Glen	83 26	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	83 26
Ledyard	.....	6 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 50
Mystic Union	3,858 00	220 00	94 44	82 55	121 00	63 25	88 60	66 50	.....	.....	.....	50 00	100 00	20 00	686 34	4,764 34
Noank	2,562 39	.....	178 58	50 00	70 00	56 50	61 50	127 81	40 00	10 00	39 10	70 00	.....	65 00	768 49	3,330 79
No. Stonington, First	409 50	8 43	15 00	6 00	10 00	3 00	.....	2 50	6 00	2 00	3 00	.....	3 00	13 00	63 50	481 43
" Second	110 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	110 00
" Third	608 00	18 56	20 00	.....	1 00	5 36	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 00	36 36	662 92
Packerville	437 00	.....	20 00	10 00	20 00	8 50	8 25	.....	16 00	5 00	7 50	.....	.....	6 00	101 25	538 25
Plainfield, Union	1,036 41	56 98	93 83	26 00	50 00	84 08	108 00	10 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	101 00	7 30	485 21	1,578 60
Poquonnock Bridge	419 35	82 17	10 00	.....	.....	.....	6 00	11 58	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16 00	43 58	545 10
Preston City	712 00	44 86	21 50	.....	5 00	4 00	.....	30 00	8 00	.....	4 20	.....	.....	20 00	92 70	849 56
Sterling	425 00	12 00	15 00	4 50	4 00	9 35	9 35	.....	4 00	1 50	2 00	.....	1 50	4 50	55 70	492 70
Stonington, First	2,348 44	178 04	81 55	54 00	66 40	26 00	50 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36 00	314 45	2,840 93
" Third	126 00	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	2 00	4 00	136 00
Voluntown	638 00	.....	4 00	3 00	3 00	10 50	3 00	12 00	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	39 50	677 50
Totals	$ 17,548 87	990 48	627 72	278 31	428 93	342 54	412 20	410 28	96 94	18 50	67 80	147 39	222 06	277 66	3,330 33	21,869 68

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES AND SUNDAY-SCHOOLS—SUMMARY BY ASSOCIATIONS.

ASSOCIATIONS.	Churches.	Pastors.	Increase.				Decrease.				Gain.	Loss.	Pres't Condition.				Sunday-school.			Value of Church Property Free of Debt.
			Baptism.	Letter.	Experience.	Restoration.	Letter.	Erasure.	Exclusion.	Death.			Total Enrolled.	Res. Mem. Men.	Res. Mem. Women.	Preparing for Ministry.	Total Enrolled.	Average Attendance.	Added to Church.	
Ashford,	Churches, 16	Pastors, 13	41	26	2	2	25	3	....	28	17	....	1,846	406	838	?	1,439	798	?	$149,200
Fairfield,	" 25	" 24	242	74	45	12	88	52	10	38	266	....	3,669	?	?	?	2,751	1,886	?	388,700
Hartford,	" 30	" 25	159	120	41	4	115	24	8	64	113	....	5,231	?	?	?	3,726	2,137	?	513,550
New Haven,	" 37	" 31	382	204	38	13	234	81	22	93	207	....	8,397	?	?	?	6,402	3,4 3	?	517,350
New London,	" 23	" 14	152	41	5	5	65	12	3	73	80	....	4,075	?	?	?	2,642	1,458	?	211,850
Stonington Union,	" 18	" 13	161	49	7	1	35	....	....	63	120	....	3,353	?	?	?	2,027	?	?	150,850
Totals,	Churches, 149	Pastors, 120	1137	514	138	37	562	172	43	359	773	....	26,481	?	?	?	18,987	?	?	$1,931,500

FINANCIAL TABLES—SUMMARY BY ASSOCIATIONS.

ASSOCIATIONS.	Home Expenses.		Benevolent Contributions.													Money Raised for all Purposes.
	Church.	School.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Woman's Home Missions.	Woman's Foreign Missions.	Youth's Missionary Societies.	Bible and Publication Society.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' and Widows' Fund and Home.	Support of Church Poor.	Other Objects.	Sunday-School Benevolence.	Total Benevolence.	
Ashford,	$ 13,402 33	763 85	279 40	245 81	269 63	346 28	320 68	334 87	46 25	32 38	8 00	117 26	69 80	157 35	2,249 47	16,409 65
Fairfield,	40,127 48	2,257 75	906 08	1,121 78	1,195 64	1,105 82	579 16	567 71	83 69	109 22	405 66	881 15	1,894 09	305 99	8,648 18	51,044 41
Hartford,	64,137 74	2,814 09	1,313 83	1,256 40	2,284 16	782 67	693 29	1,207 27	156 13	272 98	131 49	1,417 33	2,242 51	374 05	12,122 23	78,014 45
New Haven,	68,064 05	3,632 43	1,549 17	1,433 80	2,095 10	1,008 98	934 20	1,178 88	174 27	283 96	141 54	1,827 14	3,158 62	710 33	14,306 85	92,910 06
New London,	27,312 22	1,306 53	583 36	283 15	424 63	511 16	430 36	498 37	108 83	113 71	169 63	436 11	811 04	339 91	4,630 95	33,155 65
Stonington Union,	17,548 87	990 48	627 72	278 31	428 93	342 54	412 20	410 28	96 94	18 50	67 80	147 39	222 06	277 66	3,330 33	21,869 68
Totals,	$ 230,592 69	11,765 13	5,256 56	4,619 34	6,698 09	3,597 45	3,369 89	4,197 38	671 11	830 75	924 12	4,826 38	8,378 15	2,165 29	45,282 01	293,403 90

SUMMARY FOR 1878-1905.

Totals by Years.	CHURCHES.								HOME EXPENSES AND BENEVOLENCE.															
			ADDED BY			REMOV'D BY				CONTRIBUTIONS FOR														
	Pastors.	No. of Churches.	Baptism.	Letter.	Experience. Restoration.	Letter.	Erasure.	Exclusion.	Death.	Total Membership	Home Expenses.	Education Society.	State Convention.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Widows' F'd and Minis-ters' Home.	Contributions consolidated until 1885.	Womans' Home Missionary Society.	Womans' Foreign Missionary Society.	Bible and Publication Society.	Other Objects.	Total Benevolence	Average per Member.	Total for all Objects.
1878	121	835	394	51	25	416	338	122	269	20,677	$142,100 87	$767 76	$3,341 35	$3,171 65	$3,753 27	$92 85			$3,069 93	$749 27	$7,004 52	$23,527 99	$1 14	$144,951 17
1879	119	589	356	53	42	357	127	85	290	20,767	109,773 08	658 02	2,809 46	2,468 05	2,787 11	106 10			3,230 27	727 04	5,774 71	20,348 96	98	143,447 17
1880	119	351	332	28	15	343	115	121	279	20,618	105,265 84	920 13	5,268 16	3,793 60	5,209 29	262 23			3,108 21	1,425 10	13,416 31	33,383 44	1 67	136,649 28
1881	120	588	311	55	20	373	127	76	287	20,830	149,232 00	677 81	2,474 26	3,703 02	4,000 11	277 50			3,278 39	1,197 96	6,141 64	21,530 74	1 01	170,435 26
1882	121	567	422	41	33	378	134	65	336	20,810	134,340 54	970 41	4,883 58	5,187 60	5,004 58	75 64			3,358 69	568 87	8,357 11	27,245 28	1 29	161,466 82
1883	121	803	419	81	27	446	82	80	289	20,843	146,572 65	667 79	3,831 18	4,092 09	4,235 76	166 81			3,933 76	736 60	11,107 86	28,521 64	1 37	173,968 04
1884	125	769	384	71	28	444	255	60	270	21,558	147,619 43	747 44	5,096 70	4,537 39	3,881 26	299 05			5,103 31	1,490 07	8,138 50	29,385 77	1 36½	176,941 79
1885	126	743	367	70	30	382	104	78	354	21,755	101,063 19	586 04	2,845 32	4,380 95	3,541 56	346 08			3,896 40	1,154 52	6,609 99	28,194 64	1 31½	155,454 81
1886	126	594	494	75	28	435	206	99	270	21,686	144,528 24	657 34	2,217 87	4,104 19	4,115 67	574 13			4,141 03	1,121 19	6,898 95	26,457 33	1 17	174,890 38
1887	97	128	799	433	87	25	509	297	94	312	20,950	148,064 47	897 44	2,809 83	4,195 18	4,698 44	238 56		5,312 38	1,192 30	12,987 92	33,027 91	1 50½	181,092 37
1888	103	130	747	453	75	28	473	115	92	299	21,907	158,808 86	1,014 58	3,691 39	5,424 05	4,127 71	552 19		3,439 91	1,232 72	892 01	11,767 22	33,885 01	1 54	207,901 65
1889	103	126	615	442	98	49	437	224	72	299	22,080	172,276 82	1,002 02	3,443 51	4,317 17	4,143 68	545 55		3,168 14	3,250 46	853 95	17,004 84	37,784 41	1 72	210,035 21
1890	102	130	759	755	107	61	727	150	37	308	22,239	196,539 15	1,464 57	3,583 41	2,897 71	2,948 14	643 17		2,638 57	3,180 10	911 00	19,773 65	27,188 78	1 67	235,247 08
1891	108	133	859	623	146	67	536	249	79	351	22,775	183,982 22	1,265 89	4,011 45	2,114 55	4,771 32	359 96		3,172 55	3,167 08	804 32	19,881 46	39,548 52	1 74	223,761 81
1892	105	136	913	586	96	42	511	396	66	478	23,077	190,151 93	1,427 07	4,292 18	3,277 93	7,049 55	432 60		3,648 38	3,186 51	645 45	33,282 75	55,798 46	2 41	245,944 91
1893	110	137	900	505	106	29	504	301	121	342	23,158	199,822 15	1,104 05	3,730 37	4,005 34	10,662 75	867 61		4,131 83	5,320 75	945 48	19,387 19	50,163 07	2 16½	250,603 76
1894	113	137	1,321	578	133	35	537	194	44	321	24,154	221,360 87	1,509 40	4,710 30	4,819 32	4,665 08	560 80		3,671 47	3,417 89	947 10	21,545 17	44,840 51	1 85½	265,824 77
1895	114	140	925	598	154	65	505	278	80	397	24,386	240,629 91	1,668 42	3,616 85	4,610 18	5,634 24	630 28		4,199 38	3,601 47	630 28	29,715 29	54,306 37	2 22½	294,836 28
1896	115	139	1,255	570	141	41	527	259	98	397	24,922	214,317 93	1,325 84	3,661 51	3,470 34	5,113 80	551 97		3,586 35	4,032 12	950 62	31,047 67	53,458 26	2 13⅝	262,483 82
1897	118	140	954	487	84	38	215	385	105	327	25,243	215,566 15	1,638 00	5,437 39	5,480 75	7,206 25	616 24		3,118 56	3,481 85	742 91	26,972 25	57,358 13	2 27½	271,759 11
1898	118	140	601	466	89	24	441	363	73	356	25,191	217,302 47	1,224 17	3,775 52	4,219 54	8,272 87	652 62		7,963 07	3,422 24	707 92	23,265 80	53,348 47	2 11¾	272,082 41
1899	118	141	489	431	100	65	417	393	67	400	25,147	206,237 04	1,450 12	4,000 41	4,422 72	6,120 31	951 93		3,395 98	3,399 53	788 98	15,969 26	40,466 03	1 60¾	247,310 99
1900	120	142	743	512	86	53	475	452	133	372	25,111	217,351 73	1,144 17	4,080 14	4,514 74	6,119 84	1215 70		3,152 42	3,340 58	672 85	18,455 35	42,463 24	1 69	268,989 03
1901	116	142	652	426	86	25	447	230	115	367	25,387	213,070 01	1,251 25	5,508 98	3,872 99	6,952 66	708 17		3,355 40	3,594 58	597 19	20,997 67	45,725 52	1 80	261,536 17
1902	115	144	741	476	132	39	497	568	97	326	25,161	219,426 63	911 23	4,899 29	3,724 42	5,991 68	1021 92		3,749 63	3,275 18	923 75	19 456 71	44,011 29	1 74	263,920 24
1903	120	145	689	505	110	16	406	151	93	331	25,343	236,942 75	1,003 17	4,426 19	4,420 18	6,080 07	838 41		3,327 60	3,268 53	789 70	7,698 00	43,111 21	1 70	279,990 09
1904	120	145	900	48	118	33	49	264	51	378	25,548	232,407 41	888 96	4,547 01	3,794 17	6,335 12	890 31		3,159 31	3,175 71	722 21	12,303 4	46,630 83	1 82	279,117 41
1905	120	145	1,137	514	138	37	502	172	43	359	26,451	243,357 82	830 78	5,256 56	4,619 34	6,698 09	924 12		3,597 45	3,369 89	671 11	19,566 20	45,282 01	1 71	293,403 90

HISTORIC RECORD.

The Connecticut Baptist Convention, originally styled "The General Convention of the Baptist Churches of the State of Connecticut and Vicinity," was first organized at Hartford, in October, 1823. No annual sermon was provided for until the session of 1826. For the data previous to 1840 see former minutes.

DATE.	PLACE.	PRESIDENT.	SECRETARY.	PREACHER.	TEXT.
1840	Essex	George Reed	William Reid	F. Wightman	Matt. 24: 14.
1841	Hartford	D. Ives	J. S. Eaton	R. Babcock	John 4: 35-38.
1842	Middletown	D. Ives	J. S. Eaton	T. C. Teasdale	
1843	Norwich	D. Ives	E. Cushman	J. Dowling	Eph. 3: 10.
1844	New Haven	A. Parker	E. Savage	D. Ives	2 Cor. 5: 14, 15.
1845	New London	J. S. Swan	E. Savage	A. Parker	Num. 14: 21.
1846	Hartford	J. S. Swan	E. Cushman	A. G. Palmer	Isa. 62: 1.
1847	Deep River	R. Turnbull	E. Cushman	J. S. Swan	Num. 14: 8.
1848	Suffield	D. Ives	E. Cushman	E. Cushman	1 John 5: 19.
1849	Bristol	H. Miller	E. Cushman	E. T. Hiscock	Heb. 6: 10.
1850	Danbury	S. D. Phelps	E. Cushman	R. Turnbull	Matt. 25: 40-45.
1851	Stonington	E. T. Hiscock	E. Cushman	C. Willett	Eph. 1: 3-6.
1852	New Haven	J. S. Swan	E. Cushman	J. N. Murdock	Luke 24: 24.
1853	Norwich	William Reid	E. Cushman	S. D. Phelps	Isa. 60: 4.
1854	Hartford	J. N. Murdock	E. Cushman	H. Miller	Matt. 10: 34-36.
1855	Meriden	L. Lewis	E. Cushman	J. L. Hodge	Gal. 2: 20.
1856	Middletown	W. S. Clapp	E. Cushman	W. Reid	Acts 1: 8.
1857	New London	C. Willett	E. Cushman	A. D. Denison	Phil. 2: 15.
1858	Southington	F. Denison	E. Cushman	J. A. Bailey	Psalm 130: 4.
1859	Hartford	S. D. Phelps	E. Cushman	W. Fitz	2 Cor. 4: 7.
1860	New Haven	P. G. Wightman	E. Cushman	J. P. Brown	2 Cor. 4: 4.
1861	Norwich	D. Ives	E. Cushman	D. H. Miller	Isa. 42: 4.
1862	Stamford	J. P. Brown	E. Cushman	D. Ives	1 Cor. 3: 6.
1863	Willimantic	C. S. Weaver	E. Cushman	C. B Crane	1 Cor. 1: 39.
1864	Essex	George Lovis	E. Cushman	G. M. Stone	John 21: 4-6.
1865	Danbury	S. Graves	E. Cushman	S. D. Phelps	1 Tim. 3: 15.
1866	Hartford	J. A. Bailey	E. Cushman	I. H. Gilbert	2 Cor. 9: 22.
1867	Mystic River	C. B. Crane	E. Cushman	R. Turnbull	Rev. 5: 10.
1868	New Haven	A. C. Bronson	E. Cushman	E. Lathrop	1 Peter 2: 5.
1869	Deep River	R. J. Adams	E. Cushman	B. S. Morse	Mark 1: 40-42.
1870	New Britain	A. P. Buell	J. A. Bailey	H. G. Mason	Rev. 9: 4.
1871	Norwalk	James L. Howard	J. A. Bailey	G. L. Hunt	1 Tim. 4: 1, 2.
1872	Waterbury	James L. Howard	J. A. Bailey	A. G. Palmer	Eph. 1: 18.
1873	New Haven	James L. Howard	R. Turnbull	A. J. Sage	1 Cor. 13: 3.
1874	Putnam	James L. Howard	R. Turnbull	C. E. Smith	Prov. 4: 23.
1875	Hartford	James L. Howard	R. Turnbull	A. C. Hubbard	
1876	Suffield	James L. Howard	R. Turnbull	A. C. Hubbard	Zech. 4: 16.
1877	Norwich	A. G Palmer	R. Turnbull	F. F. Emerson	Neh. 9: 6, 17.
1878	Meriden	E. Lathrop	T. A. T. Hanna	J. Davis	Matt. 16: 3.
1879	Danbury	A. J. Sage	T. A. T. Hanna	B. F. Bronson	1 Cor. 11: 1.
1880	Bridgeport	A. J. Sage	T. A. T. Hanna	J. M. Taylor	1 Cor. 1: 21.
1881	New London	A. J. Sage	T. A. T Hanna	J R. Stubbert	Jonah 3: 3.
1882	Ansonia	W. S. Bronson	T. A. T. Hanna	G. H. Miner	1 Cor. 1: 24.
1883	New Haven	W. S. Bronson	T. A. T. Hanna	M. H. Pogson	Acts 5: 20.
1884	Norwich	W. S. Bronson	Elizur Cook	O. C. Sargent	Luke 2: 32.
1885	Hartford	W. S. Bronson	Elizur Cook	J. V. Garton	Matt 6: 10.
1886	Waterbury	Francis Wayland	P. S. Evans	C. W. Holman	Matt. 28: 20.
1887	New Britain	Francis Wayland	P. S. Evans	B. W. Lockhart	John 8: 37.
1888	Hartford	Francis Wayland	P. S. Evans	D. H. Taylor	1 John 4: 16.
1889	Putnam	Francis Wayland	P. S Evans	P. G. Wightman	Isa. 54: 2.
1890	Middletown	Francis Wayland	P. S. Evans	J. R. Gow	Matt. 9: 10-13.
1891	New Haven	Francis Wayland	P. S. Evans	W. G. Fennell	Matt. 17: 20.
1892	Willimantic	Francis Wayland	P. S. Evans	J. S. James	Heb. 6: 5.
1893	Danbury	Francis Wayland	P. S. Evans	H. M. Thompson	Jonah 4: 10.
1894	Norwich	Francis Wayland	P. S. Evans	J. B. Lemon	Jonah 3: 2.
1895	Bridgeport	Francis Wayland	P. S. Evans	J. D. Herr, D.D.	Acts 10: 44.
1896	New London	Wm. A. Grippin	P. S. Evans	J. H. Mason	Rom. 13: 8.
1897	Hartford	Wm. A. Grippin	P. S. Evans	Wm.D. McKinney	Zech. 4: 6.
1898	Meriden	Wm. A. Grippin	P. S. Evans	E.M. Poteat, D.D.	Phil. 3: 10, 11.
1899	Waterbury	Wm. A. Grippin	P. S. Evans	Henry Clarke	John 18: 6.
1900	New Haven	Carnot O Spencer	P. S. Evans	F. G. McKeever	11 Cor. 2: 14.
1901	New Britain	Carnot O.Spencer	P. S. Evans	F. J. Parry	Acts 1: 8.
1902	Hartford	Carnot O.Spencer	P. S Evans	Geo. H. Ferris	John 9: 30
1903	New Haven	Carnot O.Spencer	F. H. Divine	O.O.Fletcher, DD.	John 20: 21-22
1904	Norwich	Carnot O.Spencer	F H. Divine	R. A. Ashworth	Matt. 28: 20
1905	Meriden	Carnot O Spencer	F. H. Divine	Harold Pattison	Deut. 32: 11-12

BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTER.

Ashford Association.

Towns.	Superintendent.	Secretary.
Andover	Rev. E. Hatfield	Mrs. R. A. Phillips.
Brooklyn	Wm. Ingalls	Miss Viola Sweet.
Danielson	Lester B. Arnold	Henry Burton.
Eastford	Henry B. Buell	Mrs. H. Buell.
Mansfield	W. P. Wildes	Miss Mable Slate.
Putnam	Newton A. Ballard	Florence E. Stubbert.
Stafford	Herbt. C. Thresher	H. F. Holtham.
Thompson, Central	John D. Converse	Louis Converse.
" East	Mrs. Frank Carlton	Jennie Johnson.
Warrenville	Z. B. Bicknell	Ethel M. Durkee.
Westford	A. G. Barlow	Mrs. C. Davis.
Willimantic	James G. Robinson	E. S. Hyatt.
Willington Hill	Robert P. Pratt	Alice V. Cosgrove.
" South	Walter A. Allen	Franklin Gurley.
Woodstock, South	Albert Williams	Harry Wells.
" West	Mrs. F. L. Corbin	Lester Rockwell.

Fairfield Association.

Banksville	R. A. Ingersoll	John Bennell.
Bridgeport, First	C. B. Wilson	Arthur S. Keith.
" N.W.Chapel	W. V. Garner, Jr.	
" German	John Reif	Wm. Reif.
" Immanuel	S. T. Velie	Robert Knowles.
" Messiah		
" Second	John W. Barnes	Hubert Shaw.
" Swedish	S. Swenson	A. Ahlberg.
Danbury, New Hope	H. D. Kearney	C. H. Holt.
" Second	Leroy Andrews	W. R. Mortimer.
Easton	Willard Gillette	C. S. Powell.
Greenwich	Rev. D. C. Thomas	
New Milford	W. C. Hine	Miss Millie Kinney.
Norwalk, First	Charles Yost	Fanton Beers.
" Grace	C. D. Lloyd	Mary Morrow.
Rowayton	A. B. Cleverly	Clara M. Raymond.
South Norwalk	Rev. H. B. Carpenter	Ernest Hopkins.
Stamford, First	E. S. Waterbury	
" Italian		Miss E. I. Youngs.
" Union	Rev. W. O. Harris	Mary Cousins.
Stepney	Chas. F. Nichols	N. Blanche Purdy.
Stratfield	H. B. Sturges	Geo. A. Sturges.
White Hills	Fred B. Drew	Philip Jones.

Hartford Association.

Towns.	Superintendent.	Secretary.
Bantam	E. O. Phelps	E. F. Wedge
Bloomfield	H. C. Higgins	Mrs. C. M. Kelly.
Bristol	Rev. Henry Clarke	H. Beals.
Canton	F. L. Bradley	Josephine M. Lane.
Colebrook, North	Mrs. A. Powell	Miss Jennie Fritz.
" South	Grove Demming	Sarah J. Brown.
Cornwall, East	M. B. Curtiss	Flora Johnson.
" Hollow	E. H. Ocain	Annie Chipman.
Hartford, Asylum av.	A. Spencer, Jr.	W. J. Tuller.
" First	C. P. Gladding	E. B. Bliss.
" Memorial	W. O. Shelley	Walter R. Jameson.
" Olivet	Frank E. Newton	Arthur E. Knowlton.
" Shiloh	John S. Taylor	Mrs. Nettie Harrod.
" South	E. H. Morse	E. H. Crosley.
" Suffield St.,	L. A. Wiley,	Howard Buckley.
" Swedish	Magnes Nilson	Simon Berg.
" Union	J. O. Taylor	Ida Knight.
New Britain, First	E. M. Wightman	H. W. Eddy.
" German	A. F. Eichstaedt	Emil Steinberg.
" Swedish	Andrew Lundberg	N. P. Bergman.
Plainville	Frank A. Hart	Jessie M. Goodrich.
Rockville	Joseph E. Chatham	Leander Bosely.
South Windsor	George S. Bragg	Arthur Stiles.
Suffield, Second	F. B. Hatheway	Nellie M. Lipps.
Tariffville	J. L. Dewey	Wm. S. Holmes.
Torrington	Lewis C. Hull	Willis Robinson.
West Hartford	B. M. DesJardins	Edith Bromley.
Wethersfield	Frank Jones	Howard Clapp.
Winsted	Ralph A. Sanford	Mrs. W. C. Barber.

New Haven Association.

Ansonia, First	Chapel Carter	Anna L. Davidson.
" Macedonia	Thomas Coleman	E. S. Burbridge.
Branford	Sherman Goddard	Clarence Boynton.
Cheshire	Harry Beers	Mrs. F. Scranton.
Chester	S. E. Ackley	Theo. Foster.
Clinton	L. S. Whitman	Wm. H. Kelsey, 2d.
Cromwell	E. T. Johnson	Miss H. A. Stevens.
Deep River	M. W. Curtis	John Gilbert.
Essex	Geo. W. Comstock	Mrs. L. Behrens.
Meriden, First	F. L. Huntington	L. H. Perkins.
" Olive Branch	A. J. Wright	
" Park Ave.	Robert Daybill	

Towns.	Superintendent.	Secretary.
Meriden, German	Mathias Higis	A. Stockberger, Jr.
" Main Street	G. I. Gardner	Horace W. Kingsley.
" Swedish	Carl Liden	Louis Liden.
Middletown	E. B. Fall	G. L. Hayes.
Milford	A R. B. Taylor	Frank Wallace.
Montowese	A. S. Barnes	Mary E. Foote.
Naugatuck	Rev. C. C. Smith	Louisa Davy.
New Haven, Calvary	Charles T. Lincoln	Rice L. Clark.
" First	Thos. D. Jenkins	A. H. Buckingham.
" German	Wm. Schussler	Ad. Lembach.
" Grand Ave.	Mark Hare	Morris Hatfield.
" Howard Ave.	W. H. Partello	Wilmer Nicholson.
" Immanuel		
" Olivet	Clarence H. Hunt	Ralph Eno.
" Swedish	John Kangrew	A. Leuwstrom.
Plantsville	Walter Pratt	Ada S. Frisbie.
Saybrook		Chas. Post.
Shelton	E. N. Barrett	John Godkin.
Southington	M. H. Holcomb	Norman A. Barnes.
Wallingford	C. H. Brown	M. J. Allderize.
Waterbury, First	Wm. Dixon	Louis A. Pichard.
" Grace	N. Conner	Fannie Jackson.
" Second	R. G. Snagg	Mrs. W. F. Bronneke.
" Swedish	Chas. Edquist	Hanna Odett.
Yalesville	Edwin S. May	Henry Schwab.

New London Association.

Bozrah	Wm. R. Browning	Edith Leffingwell.
Colchester	L. C. Brown	E. R. Sherman, Jr.
Fitchville	F. H. Thompson	Jennie A. Phillips.
Lebanon	Orrin Gurley	C. S. Briggs.
Lyme, East	Rev. C. M. Reed	Mrs. Mary Newton.
" North	W. M. Sisson, Jr.	Carlton F. Jewett.
" Old	E. G. Caulkins	Bertha M. Luther.
Montville	M. V. B. Brainard	Robert Paton.
New London, First	Chas. B. Green	F. R. Johnson.
" Huntington St.	Walter M. Slocum	Leon Colby.
" Shiloh	C. E. Wheeler	Mrs. R. Jeffrey.
Niantic	John Luce	Frances Luce.
Norwich, Central	S. B. Palmer	R. R. Wilcox.
" First	W. M. Cowan	Mrs. H. R. Sargent.
" Mt. Calvary	P. T. Young	Wm. Mallison.
" Third		S. D. Barnes.
Waterford, First	C. H. Peabody	Louis Perkins.
" Second	Charles Bitters	Nellie J. Starr.

Stonington Union Association.

Groton, First	Simeon Gallup	Clara Burnett.
" Heights	C. T. Landphere	I. H. Poppe.
Jewett City	John Armstrong	Jas. B. Palmer, Jr.
Laurel Glen	Addie Bill	Maybel E. Bill.
Ledyard	Rev. N. B. Prindle	James McKenzie.
Mystic	Wm. H. Smith	Robert H. Murphey.
Noank	Dea. Robt. Palmer	Edith Morgan.
Pendleton Hill	E. E. Gray	Sarah T. Palmer.
No. Stonington	W. H. Hillard	Ida M. Chapman.
Packerville	Calvin York	Nellie Ward.
Plainfield Union	E. E. Salisbury	Wm. Sunn.
Poquonnock Bridge	Cyrus Avery	Fannie Wells.
Preston City	Appleton Main	S. C. Starkweather.
Sterling	E. E. Freeman	Blanche Douglass.
Stonington, First	Wm. G. King	Mrs. J. H. Tillinghast.
" Third	B. F. Ross, Jr.	M. E. Essridge.
Voluntown	Rev. E. Dewhurst	Julia Fish.

REGISTER OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

Ashford Association.

Church.	Society.	President.	Secretary.	Total Members.
Brooklyn	B. Y. P. U.	Wm. Potter	Hannah Hall	21
Danielson	B. Y. P. U.	H. W. Chapin	Lillian Bailey	23
Eastford	Y. P. S. C. E.	Chas. Buell		20
Mansfield	Y. P. S. C. E.	A. D. Palmer,	Ethel Freeman	
Putnam	B. Y. P. U.	Jane Emery	Edith Bowen	47
Stafford	Y. P. S. C. E.	Mrs. A. Conners,	O. N. Colburn	18
Thompson, Central				
Willimantic	Y. P. S. C. E.	P. B. Scofield	Ada M. Bowen	34
Willington, Hill	Y. P. S. C. E.	Mrs. C. Wolfe	Miss Ida Hall	24
Willington, South	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss A. W. Pratt	Miss E. Hall	36
Woodstock, South	Y. P. D.	A. Williams	Miss Nellie Burlison	

Fairfield Association.

Banksville	B. Y. P. U.	F. S. Farrell	R. A. Ingersoll	21
Bridgeport, First	Y. P. S. C. E.	Theo. Phillips	Evelyn Banks	70
" German	Y. P. S.	C. A. Gruhn	Ben. Tuleweit	25
" Immanuel	B. Y. P. U.	H. E. Olcott	Miss M. Lounsbury	27
" Messiah				
" Second	Y. P. S. C. E.	Wm. Andrews	Grace Liddle	44
" Swedish	B. Y. P. U.	A. Geiger		46

Church.	Society.	President.	Secretary.	Total Members.
Danbury, New Hope,	Y. P. S. C. E.	Sarah D. Riley	Hazel Willington	15
" Second, ..	"	Leonard Hopkins	May Travis	43
New Milford, ...	"	Grace Buckingham	Mrs. W. C. Hine	19
Norwalk, Grace, ...	"	Ella Hamlet	Rebecca Morrow	35
Rowayton, ...	"	G. H. Letts	Mrs. J. H. Sherer	47
So. Norwalk, ...	B. Y. P. U.		Edith Brotherton	
Stamford, First, ...	"	G. S. Wilson	Miss L. Waterbury	43

Hartford Association.

Bristol, ...	Y. P. S. C. E.	Frank Merrill	Nellie Barnes	86
Canton, ...	"	Mrs. A. L. Case	Asa L. Case	23
Cornwall, East, ...	"	Ruth Whitcomb	Flora Johnson	
Hartford, Asylum Ave.,	"	Miss L. E. Barrows	Fannie Dimon	25
" First, ...	Y. P. A.	A. B. Babbitt	F. S. Steel	
" Memorial,	Y. P. S. C. E.	J. L. Chapman	John MacKenzie	52
" Olivet, ...	Y. P. S. C. E.	H. W. Newton	Ethyl F. May	23
" Shiloh, ...	B. Y. P. U.	J. A. Wood	Marie Hart	25
" South, ...	Y. P. S. C. E.	L. P. Davis	L. H. Boyd	42
" Suffield St.	Y. P. S. C. E.	E. C. Fowler	Hattie G. Morse	
" Swedish, .	B. Y. P. U.	A. G. Johnson	Henry Hanson	44
" Union, ...	B. Y. P. U.	S. F. Phillips	Cecil Gay	75
New Britain, First,	Y. P. S. C. E.	E. R. Hitchcock		66
" German,	B. Y. P. U.	A. F. Eichstaedt	C. Retz	45
" Swedish,	"	L. Lundstrom	Anna Glaus	20
Plainville, ...	"	Horace Foster	Marjory Strong	40
Rockville, ...	"	Levi Chappel	Mary L. Adams	86
Suffield, Second, ...	Y. P. S. C. E.	Madeline Spencer	Minnie Wilson	54
Torrington, ...	"	Mrs. G. W. Bennett	N. M. Rogers	28
West Hartford, ...	"	Rev. E. K. Jordan	C. A. Millard	19
Winsted, ...	"	C. L. Marsh	Mabel Hart	41

New Haven Association.

Ansonia, First, ...	Y. P. S. C. E.	Harry Lewis	Mrs. R. L. Donnelly	57
Branford, ...	Y. P. S. C. E.	T. B. Ward	Mrs. H. E. Harrison	39
Chester, ...	B. U. of C. E.	Bessie Bogart	Clara Wooster	35
Cromwell, ...	B. Y. P. U.	Mrs. H. Lorentz	Ada Johnson	12
Deep River, ...	"	Benj. Booma	Miss C. Leightsinger	29
Essex, ...	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Bessie Gallaher	Mrs. L. Behrens	55
Meriden, First, ...	Y. P. S. C. E.	G. P. Parker	John C. Petel	61
" German, ..	Y. P. S.	J. Kammens	Anna Unger	
" Main St., .	Y. P. S. C. E.	C. M. Glantz	Maybell Calhoun	42
Meriden, Swedish, ..	B. Y. P. U.	Carl Larson	Frida Carlson	43
Middletown, ...	"	A. L. Pratt	S. K. Ryan	57
Milford, ...	"	Frank Wallace		17
New Haven, Calvary,	Y. P. S. C. E.	E. F. Webster	Carl H. Bayard	88
" First, ...	Y. P. S. C. E.	G. H. Priest	Mattie Buckingham	85
" German, ..	B. Y. P. U.	Ed. Rungee	Lillie Koenig	45
" Grand Ave.	Y. P. S. C. E.	D. W. Hatfield		95
" Howard Av.	"	H. Parmelee	Jeanette Parmelee	
" Immanuel,	"			
" Olivet, ...	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss L. A. Doolittle	Miss E. Shufelt	28
" Swedish, ...	B. Y. P. U.	Ed. Almquist	Edith Didong	45

Church.	Society.	President.	Secretary.	Total Members.
Plantsville,	Y. P. S. C. E.	A. A. Boyce	Miss C. Baldwin	22
Shelton,	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss M. Reid	Miss A. French	31
Wallingford,	B. Y. P. U.	B. H. Wooding	Rena Barber	27
Waterbury, First,	Y. P. S. C. E.	Arthur Beale	Mabelle Shelley	140
" Grace,	B. Y. P. U.	A. N. Walker	Lillie Butts	25
" Second,	Y. P. S. C. E.	Jos. Gough	Ruth Mitchell	35
" Swedish,	B. Y. P. U.	A. O. Laurence		27
Yalesville,	Y. P. S. C. E.	A. G. Prisk	Clara Kendrick	26

New London Association.

Colchester,	B. Y. P. U.	Rev. C. I. Ramsey	Evelyn Strong	32
Lebanon,	Y. P. S. C. E.	L. A. Boothby		
Lyme, North,	Y. P. S. C. E.	J. W. Stark	Arthur Sweet	32
Montville Union,	B. U. of C. E.	Miss Annie Miller	Thos. Gay	63
New London, First,	Y. P. S. C. E.	F. R. Johnson	Hattie Chadsey	109
" Huntington St.	"	H. L. Avery	Miss Abbie P. Thomas	64
" Shiloh,	Y. P. S.	John Johnson	David Holland	40
Niantic,	B. Y. P. U.	Geo. Gavitt	Grace Clark	40
Norwich, Central,	B. Y. P. U.	Helen M. Moore	Martha Ambler	133
" First,	"	Miss Jessie Lynch	Maude Huntington	39
" Mt. Calvary,	"	Ambrose H. Wilson		40
" Third,	"	E. M. Newbury	W. A. Lund	50
Waterford, First,	Y. P. S. C. E.	Henry Moore	Clara Edwards	57
" Second,	Y. P. C. U.	Chas. Bitters	Florence Wilcox	22

Stonington Union Association.

Groton Heights,	B. Y. P. U.	Irving H. Poppe	Miss Mae Towson	35
Jewett City,	Y. P. S. C. E.	Alice A. Brown	Mrs. J. Armstrong	80
Mystic,	Y. P. S. C. E.	S. J. Gage	Helen F. Wilbur	60
Noank,	B. Y. P. U.	W. I. Spicer	Juliette Chester	170
Pendleton Hill,	B. Y. P. U.	Carrie Ryder	Malcom Thompson	12
No. Stonington,	"	Anna L. Babcock	Mrs. W. H. Hillard	29
Plainfield Union,	"	Mack Mott	Mabel Putnam	32
Poquonnock Bridge,	"	Wm. Bosworth	Eugene Gardner	58
Preston City,	"	C. C. Zabriskie	Louise Zabriskie	22
Stonington, First,	Y. P. S.	P. Butterfield	Etta Adams	21
Voluntown,	Y. P. S.	Mrs. H. R. Dewhurst	Bertha Lewis	

THE TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Connecticut Branch of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society.

OFFICERS.

Mrs. Helen R. Dewhurst, Voluntown, Vice-President.
Miss Mary L. Howard, Hartford, Assistant Vice-President.

Associations.	Directors.
Ashford,	**Mrs. Annie A. Preston,** Willington.
Junior,	**Miss Marion Storrs,** Mansfield.
Stonington Union,	**Mrs. Sarah F. Brown,** Jewett City.
Junior,	**Miss Grace Spaulding,** Moosup.
New London,	**Mrs. T. A. Perkins,** Norwich.
Junior,	**Mrs. Joseph Elder,** New London.
Hartford,	**Mrs. E. J. Gordon,** Hartford.
Junior,	**Miss Lena Burwell,** Hartford.
New Haven,	**Miss M. McWhinnie,** Waterbury.
Junior,	**Miss E. Inez Brown,** Wallingford.
Fairfield,	**Mrs. M. W. Silliman,** Norwalk.
Junior,	**Mrs. G. S. Wilson,** Stamford.

As usual, this society held a meeting in connection with the State Convention, the hour from 1:30 to 2:30 p. m. Tuesday, October 17, being assigned. A charming day and a well-filled house were only two of the gratifying features. The President, Mrs. Dewhurst, presided and called upon Mrs. T. Edwin Brown to read the Scripture lesson, and Mrs. Robert Ashworth offered prayer. A letter from Mrs. Reynolds was read, explaining her absence and enjoining upon the circles to remember the watchward is "Forward." Miss Howard reported the Junior work; Seniors as well as Juniors are always interested in this report.

Mrs. Barrett of Jackson, Mississippi, whom we were glad to have with us again, brought to us the yet unsolved problem of the negro. If Mrs. Barrett's personality could be multiplied indefinitely, there would be no problem. Perhaps we have not been sufficiently mindful of these teachers in the Southland, who are really giving their lives to teach the colored people the right way to live.

A collection of $22.07 was taken, a hymn was sung, prayer offered and our meeting closed.

CLARA M. GLAZIER,
Secretary.

REPORT OF VICE-PRESIDENT.

During the year ending April 1st, our work in the churches remained about the same as the previous year; each Director continuing faithfully in her place. Two or three lapses caused a decrease of about one hundred dollars in the financial result: We should have been far behind if we had not commenced our "Christmas Thank Offering," which secured in three Associations, the Fairfield, Ashford and Stonington Union, amounts equal to their increase, in the other three no increase was shown though each used the Christmas envelopes. Earnest efforts are made by all directors to secure faithful work in our circles and Sunday-schools. It was voted at the May Board meeting in Boston to make the Christmas offering a permanent feature of our work, the plan has met the approval of our ladies, and a few orders for the envelopes for the coming season are already received. We shall be glad to take others from any here. The envelopes will be issued in November so that, while we plan our gifts for friends and loved ones, we may sanctify these by remembering the needy and lost ones for whom Christ died.

Very encouraging word was received a few days ago telling of the formation, in the spring, of a new Union Circle at Shelton which has already sent a generous contribution—also a new circle at East Lyme cheers the heart of the Director of New London Association, while we hear of three flourishing bands of Precious Jewels in New Haven Association. Can we not increase these through the State at least thirty fold?

During August and September 150 copies of the Annual Report have been sent to workers all over Connecticut. We have tried to place two in each church, hoping they would be circulated and faithfully

used in Circles and Young People's missionary meetings. The work continually enlarges and calls each year for more generous offerings. We hear of no large gift so far this year, though we do earnestly desire that there may be true hearts planning special help along the lines presented by our society.

If you will read carefully the annual letter of our Hartford representative, Miss Jennie Bolles, who is in Mexico City working under great disadvantages as to room and equipment, you will sympathize with her as she says, "If every Baptist could be brought into actual contact with missionary need and effort, there would be dollars where there are now pennies." We pray you friends to remember the Boarding school for Mexico which has so long waited the necessary funds, $1,200 was given last year for this purpose, will not some one remembering a dear one whose voice is hushed and whose earthly efforts are over, or, only realizing personal responsibility and privilege, send to our treasury a substantial gift for this work?

There was raised for Alaska, including Sunday Schools, Y. P. Societies, Bands and other friends, $646.13, and for the general work $3,316.33; with special pleasure we add the gift for the Mexico Boarding School of $1,202.64 from the estate of Mrs. Cornelia S. Chase of Hartford which gives us a total of $5,165.00.

Echoes still call for earnest effort to lengthen our subscription list. A year ago we reported three more than in 1903, this year we find thirty new ones, now let us continue a tenfold increase and there will be no lack in our Echo fund, and a great advance in knowledge along Home Mission lines, and knowledge always means interest.

Looking over the work of the past and especially of the six months already spent of this new year, we feel that the cause we represent has a strong hold on the hearts of our people, and we will continue with new courage, being watchful as to methods, prayerf to motives, careful and precise in every detail of our service, and may the Master add his blessing.

HELEN R. DEWHURST.

THE WOMAN'S AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY, JUNIOR DEPARTMENT.

At the Annual Meeting of our Society last April, the Junior Directors voted to ask the young people of Connecticut to enlarge their interests again this year, and take into their hearts and sympathies our work among the Navaho Indians out on the desert of New Mexico, appropriating part of their gifts toward the salary of Mrs. R. Wright,

our Missionary, for the Navahoes at Two Grey Hills, Crozier, New Mexico.

Thereby we do not intend to lessen our interest in the Mather School for the Colored Children but rather increase our interest in both the Negro and the Indian.

One of our Junior Directors, Mrs. George S. Wilson, has been obliged to resign and Fairfield Association is, therefore, without a leader. Six months of our fiscal year are already passed and we deeply regret that our gifts have not exceeded those of the corresponding months of last year. We are hoping the six remaining months may bring a more hearty response. Our contributions from September 1904 to September 1905, were $541.30.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY L. HOWARD,
Ass't. State Vice-President.

THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Connecticut.

Senior Department for State of Connecticut.

Mrs. J. B. Kent, 36 Church Street, Putnam, Senior State Secretary.

Association Secretaries.

Ashford, . . . **Mrs. J. E. Burleson,** So. Woodstock.
Fairfield, . . . **Mrs. George Goulden,** Bridgeport.
Hartford, ... **Mrs. Henry Clarke,** Bristol.
New Haven, . . . **Miss F. L. Twiss,** Meriden.
New London, . . . **Mrs. S. A. Lester,** New London.
Stonington Union, . . **Miss Harriet Fish,** Mystic.

Junior Department for State of Connecticut.

Mrs. F. W. Payne, 230 Ashley Street, State Secretary.

Association Secretaries.

Ashford, . . **Miss Helen Cranska,** Thompson.
Fairfield, . . **Miss Laura Doty,** 65 Osborne Ave., East Norwalk
Hartford, . . **Miss Lulu Squires,** 167 Seymour St., Hartford.
New Haven, . **Miss Martha J. Potter,** 723 Elm St., New Haven.
New London, . **Miss Elizabeth Gorton,** 46 Hempstead St., New London.
Stonington Union, **Mrs. C. H. Wolfe,** P. O. Box 448, Mystic.

A very enthusiastic and largely attended meeting was held in the Main Street Baptist church of Meriden, Conn., Wednesday, October 18, 1905, in the interests of the work done for heathen women and children in foreign lands, under the auspices of the Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of the East, Auxiliary to the American Baptist Missionary Union Mrs. J. B. Kent, State Secretary, of Putnam, Conn., in the chair, Mrs. R. A. Ashworth of Meriden, announced the hymn, "All

hail the power of Jesus' Name." Mrs. H. M. Thompson of Hartford, read the 103d Psalm, and prayer was offered by Mrs. Germond of New Britain. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Mrs. Kent read her annual report and Mrs. F. W. Payne of Hartford, submitted her report of the Junior work. Both were approved. Mrs. M. Grant Edwards of Chestnut Hill, Mass., President of the General Society, was listened to with rapt attention. She said in part, "It is a great joy, and I am gratified to be with you today. One of the joys of my office is to know there are so many loyal women, who are praying with me and the cause we are interested in; this glorious army of women who are standing behind us, in Jesus Christ's work, in Japan, Burma, China, India, Africa, and the Philippines."

Miss Susie E. Spencer of Meriden, rendered the solo, "The Sovereignty of God," by Frances Allisten, in a very impressive and pleasing manner. The offering amounted to $17.50. The meeting closed with a prayer by Mrs. W. E. Bates of Mystic, Conn.

FANNIE L. TWISS,
Recording Secretary.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL ACCOUNTING OF THE WOMAN'S BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION WORK IN CONNECTICUT.

The most inspiring thing in the world is that great thing we all intend to do, and the most disheartening, that which we have failed to accomplish. Purpose and Fulfillment. Between these points extends the broad table-land of our Missionary Opportunity across which hundreds of Connecticut Baptist women have made their way during the past twelve months; a minority of whom have expended time and treasure upon the cultivation of this area.

Concerning those engaged, their experiences, and results obtained, I am briefly to tell you today. A single variation in line of effort and several changes in the list of workers are first noted.

The new Sunday-school plans were adopted by a number of circles. Each Sunday-school Superintendent having been abundantly supplied

with informing literature, 44 schools, one-third of the whole number in the State, responded, their contributions of $727.35 being reported upon the Senior blanks. The Sunday-school plans will be a feature of the Junior department during the present year.

A new President occupies the chair at each of the State Missionary Conferences. Mrs. George M. Stone, after 20 consecutive years of devoted service in this capacity in the Hartford Conference, has severed her official connection herewith amid a host of regrets from her numerous friends and associates. Mrs. H. M. Thompson, an experienced worker, has been most fittingly chosen her successor.

Mrs. McKeever, whose admirable record in several important positions is well-known throughout the State, is followed by Mrs. W. E. Bates of Mystic in the South Eastern Conference.

Mrs. Ferris of New Haven, reluctantly relinquished by the South Western Conference, is, in her turn, succeeded by Mrs. Ashworth of Meriden. That these retiring officers will in no whit abate their missionary zeal is assured, while those newly elected are cordially welcomed.

It is a great pleasure to state that no vacancies exist among our Associational Secretaries. Mrs. Goulden has consented to continue her excellent work in Fairfield Association to the abounding joy of her constituency who rejected the mere suggestion of her withdrawal. Hartford Association has achieved the rare good fortune of securing Mrs. Henry Clarke of Bristol for their Secretary.

Signs of encouragement have rewarded the efforts of our strenuous Associational laborers. In Ashford Association an offering is reported from every active church in her limits. One circle presented, as a Christmas gift, a life membership in the Society to an aged sister whose fervent prayers had been offered for the cause throughout many a year.

In Fairfield Association decided gains are recorded. Mrs. Strong, Hartford's retiring Secretary, forwards the most complete statement yet received from her of the enlarging work in this Association. New Britain merits especial mention. New Haven still enjoys the wise leadership of Miss Twiss. Though the general contributions there-in have slightly diminished she is happy in announcing the maturity of a munificent gift of nearly $2,500.00 bequeathed by Mr. George Willmot of the First Baptist Church of Meriden, in loving memory of his wife, and, (to use his own words), "presented as a mark of great respect for the methods and workers of the Women's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society." Such choice remembrances are precious indeed.

New London Association has experienced a serious loss by reason of the death of Mrs. Fred Smith. She was a personal

friend and adviser of Mrs. Lester the Associational Secretary, an enthusiastic supporter of all missionary enterprise, and rarely absent from these Annual gatherings. The circle of the First Church, New London, of which she was an esteemed member, made an offering of $25.00 as a memorial of her. In every other respect the outlook on this field is encouraging. From Stonington Union Miss Fish writes, "Our contributions to the general fund show a slight advance from last year. It was my privilege to attend a delightful missionary roll-call of one of the circles in this Association. Out of a possible membership of 75, 50 women are active circle members and their offerings will doubtless reach the usual amount of $100.00.

Much prayer and a profound sense of individual responsibility in promoting the advancement of the Lord's Kingdom throughout the world are the acknowledged factors in the accomplishment of this result.

The condition of our Treasury, the so-called pulse of our organization, is shown in the statistical leaflet which has been distributed. The offerings for the general work exceed those of last year by about $100.00. Those for specifics have lessened, but the legacy before mentioned swells the total amount considerably beyond the $6,000.00 which we hoped to record, and which remains our aim for the present year. Your Secretaries who are but the media of communication to you of the wishes of the Board, are pledged to do their utmost to accomplish this result but they have placed you under no obligation therefor.

For our own part we are appalled at the urgent need of funds for the partial prosecution of the work which we, as Christian American (Baptist) women, have undertaken, and, burdened with a sense of our own inefficiency, we beg of you one and all to share with us this responsibility.

"Ever of them who have largest dower
Shall heaven require the more.
Ours is affluence, knowledge, power,
Ocean from shore to shore;
And East and West in our ears have said,
"Give us, give us your living Bread."

"Freely as ye have received, so give,"
He bade, who hath given us all,
How shall the soul in us longer live,
Deaf to their starving call,
If we eat our morsel alone?"

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN M. KENT,
Secretary.

ANNUAL REPORT OF JUNIOR STATE SECRETARY W. B. F. M. SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT.

Over the gateay of an ancient English Castle was inscribed, in Latin, a sentence which, given a free translation, read, "Every soul has its value—Friend here is my hand." Is not this thought one of the underlying motives of our Mission Work — Home and Foreign?

Those who feel its importance and realize how the work of the Lord is accomplished through human agency, are continually trying to impress upon the uninterested the great need of Christ's followers keeping the thought of soul value continually in mind, that they may be ever ready and eager to reach out the helping and sustaining hand. In the Junior Work we feel the tremendous importance of building into the character of each young person this good unselfish thought which shall ever make for righteousness. To help bring our young people in touch with the need of the world, we have formed various societies.

We begin with the Babies and a "Cradle Roll" awaits their names, and a pretty certificate their contributions. Oh! happy mother, is it not a privilege to so early enroll your precious little one among the workers for humanity?

The Primary classes have our next attention, and interesting instruction and enticing boxes for wandering pennies are provided. Lately a course of Mission Study and boxes or bricks have been introduced into the Sunday-schools; for many of these schools for future church members entirely neglected the last commission of our Lord, or, if they read it, bounded the world by the four walls of their own class rooms.

The Senior and Junior Endeavor Societies are not forgotten, instructive work is prepared for them and opportunities to enlarge the soul by giving.

And last our girls, "The light that shines brightest shines farthest from home." What could be a brighter light in our homes than their dear faces? Here and there all over this broad world have we sent out these homelights to shine into the darkness of despair and help with hand and heart other souls of value.

"Our Farther Lights" here at home are helping them shine clear and bright, and, at the same time, preparing themselves for future duties as Missionary women.

In each of our six Associations in Connecticut, this work goes on among the young people of our churches. Every year we strive to advance. This year we are asked to try and do more than usual, and so this appeal goes out to you, who hears or reads this report — to help us. Our Associational Secretaries are working to the best of their ability, and we are thankful indeed for their faithful steadfastness, but results depend largely upon the interest and work of church members in their own churches. In witnessing the different branches of our Junior work, your Secretary has prayerfully hoped that upon your heart might fall the burden of some portion. If you are doing nothing, God certainly needs you. Some of our Sunday-school teachers have taken this Mission work into their classes with gratifying results. One contributing circle of King's Daughters paid thirty-nine dollars for an organ to be sent to a graduate of Mrs. Rose's school, Rangoon, Burma, to be used in her jungle work.

Do not forget the importance of our interesting literature. The "Helping Hand" grows better and better. "Around the World," if circulated in our Sunday-schools, cannot help but give our children new ideas of the value of souls. The many bright instructive leaflets and missionary books only need distribution to bring about helpful results. New interest has been added to our state work this year by the appointment of Miss Elizabeth Preston of New Haven, to represent us in India. Another young sister, daughter of a former Connecticut pastor, Rev. Harvey Linsley, goes to "Hasseltine House" to be prepared for missionary work.

Let this report close as it began, "Every soul has its value. Friend give me thine hand."

M. B. PAYNE,
Secretary.

THE TWENTY-THIRD ANNIVERSARY

OF THE

Conference of Baptist Ministers of Connecticut.

The Conference was held in the Main Street Baptist Church, Meriden, on Monday, Oct. 16, 1905, beginning at 1:30 P. M. The meeting was called to order by the President, Rev. R. A. Ashworth, of Meriden. The Scriptures were read and prayer offered by the President.

The Clerk, Rev. H. B. Hutchins, read the report of changes in the ministry during the past year. This report may be summarized as follows:

Resignations, (mostly of men leaving the state) 13; changes within the State, 5; new men entering the State, 8; ordinations, 3; deaths, 1.

New pastors entering the state were welcomed by Rev. H. M. Thompson of Hartford.

The President appointed the following nominating committee: Rev. G. W. Nicholson, Rev. W. G. Thomas and Rev. P. C. Wright.

The first essay was given by Rev. Frederick Lent. Topic: The Christian Ministry in its Relation to Present Day Problems and Needs.

The report of the Nominating Committee was then given:

President — Rev. H. B. Hutchins, Old Mystic.
Secretary — Rev. E. Sanderson, Montville.

Directors.

Ashford Association,	Rev. C. W. Wolfe.
Fairfield Association,	Rev. F. C. Brown.
Hartford Association,	Rev. G. D. Gould.
New Haven Association,	Rev. M. Stadtfeld.
New London Association,	Rev. J. A. Elder.
Stonington Union Association,	Rv. E. W. Potter.

Trustees of Ministers' Home Society.

Rev. George M. Stone, D.D., Rev. P. C. Wright,
Rev. J. W. Richardson, Rev. W. G. Thomas.

Essayists for 1906.

First Essayist — Rev. O. W. Foye.
Alternate — Rev. C. B. Bolles.
Second Essayist — Rev. J. W. Richardson.
Alternate — Rev. C. K. Flanders.

Report adopted.

The second Essay was then given by Rev. Oscar Haywood, D.D.; Topic: The Church of To-morrow. Discussion of the essays then followed until 4:30 P. M., when Rev. M. H. Pogson, D.D., presented the needs of the Baptist Ministers' Home Society. A collection for this object was then taken which amounted to $11.90.

H. B. HUTCHINS, *President.*

E. SANDERSON, *Secretary.*

RECEPTION TO MINISTERS' WIVES.

Twenty-seven ministers' wives met with Mrs. Harris in the parsonage parlors, Monday afternoon at three o'clock. A most delightful informal hour followed. At its close Mrs. Harris opened the more formal part of the program. Mrs. James H. Messenger was elected secretary. Greeting was sent by Mrs. Pattison, and, on motion, it was unanimously voted that the Secretary send a letter of greeting and appreciation.

The first subject under discussion was "Mother's Meetings." Mr. Divine told us of these meetings at First Church, Hartford. Mrs. Locke; of W. C. T. U. Mothers' meetings; Mrs. Main of the social side; Mrs. Sage of Mothers' Club combining the Sunshine work with the club; Mrs. McKeever of the going into the homes. Others gave helpful thoughts, all agreeing that each should do their best according to surroundings.

Social Purity was the next subject, nearly all the ladies present had somewhat to say upon this subject. It was agreed that the topic to be considered next year should be: "What are the Duties of a Pastor's Wife? (a) To the Church; (b) To the Pastor, (c) To Herself."

At the close of the meeting a vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. Harris. The following ladies, one from each Association, will act on Reception Committee for next year.

Wife of Pastor of entertaining Church.	
Mrs. Sanderson,	New London Association.
Mrs. Dewhurst,	Stonington Union Association.
Mrs. Main,	Hartford Association.
Mrs. Stubbert,	Ashford Association.
Mrs. Spinney,	New Haven Association.
Mrs. Nicholson,	Fairfield Association.

Adjourned to meet one year later.

ADA L. S. MESSENGER, *Secretary.*

Baptist Social Union of Connecticut.

President.—William J. Grippin, Bridgeport.

Vice-Presidents.—William F. Walker, New Britain; J. Amsbury, Danbury; and Robert Palmer, Noank.

Secretary and Treasurer.—Frederick W. Payne, Hartford.

Directors.—Hon. James L. Howard, Hartford; E. V. Preston, Hartford; Edward S. Fairchild, Danbury; S. O. Preston, New Haven; Edw. K. Nicholson, Bridgeport; James Newcomb, New London; A. J. Shipley, Waterbury; M. E. Morris, Bridgeport; Hon. A. J. Sloper, New Britain.

Auditor.—John L. Denison, Hartford.

ANNUAL BANQUET.

Our usual Banquet was held at I. O. O. F. Hall, Meriden, Wednesday evening, October 18, at 6:30 o'clock, Caterer Besse being prompt for, and equal to the occasion. The Divine blessing was invoked by John Ledyard Denison, a prominent member of the Union from its early days. President E. K. Nicholson, of Bridgeport, who had been at the head of the Union for several years, then in a felicitous manner introduced the speaker of the evening, Rev. Robert Stuart MacArthur, D.D., LL. D. His subject was "American Expansion and Baptist Growth." Among other things Dr. MacArthur said:

AMERICAN EXPANSION.

I am to speak to you on "American Expansion and Baptist Growth." I like to couple these two things. I believe in them both with all my heart.

A man who cannot put his religion into his politics must have a religion not very good, or his politics must be very bad.

The man who is too busy attending to the affairs of the next world is likely not to see any better world than he has here.

We are too prone to deplore the present. I dare say those who have stood in the valley of Chamouni and gazed at Mount Blanc were disappointed at the view; not until you drove over the splendid road toward Geneva and looked back and saw Mount Blanc, 15,781 above the sea level, did you appreciate Mount Blanc as king of the Alps. You were too near Mount Blanc when you stood at its base to appreciate its grandeur.

I had three brothers in the battle of Gettysburg, so great was my patriotism; I was not then a citizen of this country. I have heard them say that while in the battle they did not appreciate the greatness of the occasion. We need the intervention of space and time to rightly understand great men and events.

The name and fame of Abraham Lincoln now raise themselves above the American republic, but he will be better appreciated fifty years hence.

American expansion has been characteristic of our history from the beginning. No American President and no political party could make America expand, nor can any President nor any political party stop its expansion.

Any party that tries to stop American expansion will have its own expansion stopped.

But for the Louisiana purchase in 1803 there would be no American republic today. If France had not sold that vast territory, France would be ruler of America; if not France, England would be and the English flag would be floating over the greater part of the country. If France had retained it, the language spoken here would be French and the religion would not be Protestant.

An American woman, the wife of Marbois, Napoleon Boneparte and God Almighty gave the Louisiana tract to this country.

At the beginning of the century we had 800,000 square miles; today we have 3,800,000. The British empire had at the beginning of the century 2,000,000; and at the close had 12,000,000—the mightiest empire in the world. We had 6,000,000 in population at the beginning of the century; today we have 80,000,000.

BAPTIST GROWTH.

Marvelous as has been the growth of the American republic, the Baptist denomination has actually beaten it.

Never did knight of old give truer heart or hand to his lady love than we give to the Baptist church. Her's is the martyr's crown; her history has been radiant with the lives of noble men and women. Her future is as bright as her past is lustrous. Her growth has been wonderful.

In 1870 there were 1,560,000 Baptists; in 1880, 4,700,000. During the ten years from 1895 to 1905, Baptists have increased more than the Episcopalians since their foundation here, and more than the Congregationalists since America was discovered. This growth, as said, is not due to immigration. But for immigration the Roman Catholic church would barely hold its own. Cut off the streams of immigration from Ireland, France, Italy, Hungary, Poland, and I doubt if it would hold its own.

The Episcopal church owes much of its growth to England and the north of Ireland, and the Presbyterian Church a great deal to Scotland and the north of Ireland; the Lutheran Church is making very rapid strides due to immigration. The Baptist denomination gets a little growth from immigration from Canada. Its growth is due chiefly to the conversion of men and women to the views we hold.

In 1895 there were 27,010 ordained Baptist ministers; in 1905, 32,244.

In 1895, there were 37,910 churches; in 1905, 45,927.

In 1895, there were 205,857 baptisms; in 1905, 240,936.

In 1895, the total number of Baptists with fellowship in the

church, was 3,637,421; in 1905, there were 4,600,799 — a growth of a million in ten years, or 100,000 every year.

In 1895, there were 22,016 Sunday-schools; in 1905, 28,966 There were 1,500,000 Sunday-school pupils in 1895, and 2,000,000 in 1905.

In 1895, the value of church property was $80,000,000; its value in 1905 was $101,000,000.

The total amount of contributions for missions and like objects in 1895 was $12,000,000, and in 1905, $17,000,000.

When Washington was inaugurated President, there were in the thirteen states about 3,750,000 people, of whom about 50,000 were Baptists.

In 1784, there was one Baptist to every ninety-four persons; in 1812, one to every forty-two; in 1840, one to every thirty; in 1880, one to every twenty-three; in 1890, one to every twenty-one; in 1900, one to every nineteen; in 1905, one to every seventeen. The Baptist who is not filled with enthusiasm by these facts must have iced water in his veins.

The past is glorious; the future beckons us on.

Principles once Baptist alone are now American. We have stood for soul liberty, and the separation of church and state.

We have never persecuted. When one persecutes he ceases to be a Baptist.

Every drop of blood in my body was Presbyterian, but I baptised it and a combination of Presbyterian and Baptist blood is good enough for me.

Dr. McArthur closed with a beautiful word picture of the magnificent temple in India that he visited, Taj Mahal. It was erected by a noted Rajah in memory of his undying love for his wife. The speaker thus applied the picture to his final words: "Let us be loyal to country, to our church and to Christ, in memory of His undying love."

Due credit is cheerfully given to members of the First Baptist Church Choir for songs delightfully rendered, and to Fred'k. L. Huntington of Meriden, for important share in the successful arrangements.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED'K. W. PAYNE,

Secretary and Treasurer.

OBITUARY.

Blessings brighten as they depart, and inspired by the lives of our fellow laborers, we honor them by greater activity in the Master's service.

Sadness and sorrow filled every heart when the sudden departure of our Brother Deacon Amos T. Otis was made known. His eventful life ended on his way to the Sunday evening prayer meeting in Norwich, Conn.

He was one of our earliest members and one of the most active Christian workers. Naturally retiring, he never sought publicity, but always could be depended upon. The Union unite with the family, the Central Baptist Church, the city of Norwich, and the entire community in mourning the loss of a consistent Christian and a valuable citizen.

JOHN L. DENISON,
Committee.

The Baptist Social Union of Connecticut.

1. The object of this Society shall be the cultivation of a more intimate acquaintance with the interests, local and general, of the Baptist denomination, and for the encouragement of a more friendly and social intercourse among its laymen.
2. Membership fee — nothing. Annual dues, $3.00. The payment of the annual dues entitles each member to two tickets to annual banquet.
3. Next Annual Meeting and Banquet in October, 1906.

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

Baptist Young People's Union of Connecticut

President — Rev. W. F. Rowley, Middletown.
First Vice-President — Rev. J. H. Messenger, Deep River.
Second Vice-President — Rev. C. B. Bolles, Danbury.
Secretary — George Hull, Bristol.
Treasurer — R. E. Chambers, New Haven.

State Central Committee.

Rev. A. E. Harris, Meriden,	Rev. H. E. Wise, Norwich,
Rev. O. W. Foye, Thompson,	Newton C. Smith, Waterbury,
T. T. Phillips, Bridgeport,	E. G. Hutchinson, Hartford,
H. H. Pettis, Norwich,	Rev. E. W. Potter, Jewett City

The Fourteenth Annual Convention of the Baptist Young People of Connecticut was held in the Main Street Baptist Church, Meriden, October 16, 17, 1905. The first session was opened at 7.30 P.M., October 16, with a praise and devotional service led by Dr. W. H. Main of Hartford. President Wise called for the Report of the State Central Committee which had been created during the year by a general conference of young people looking towards a more effectual federation of young peoples' work in the State. The report was rendered by the chairman, Newton C. Smith, Waterbury. Among other things, he reported that the Committee had collected $22.00 for the Colportage Wagon work. The Committee recommended that the new State Central Committee consist of one member from each Association, the Connecticut representative of the National Baptist Young People's Union, one from the Connecticut Union of Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor. The report was accepted and adopted.

The President announced the following Nominating Committee: Rev. W. H. Main, D.D., Hartford, Newton C. Smith, Waterbury, R. E. Chambers, New Haven, Rev. W. F. Rowley, Middletown.

The Secretary, Charles F. Whitney of Norwich, read his report, which was accepted. R. E. Chambers of New Haven read his report as Treasurer, showing receipts of $144.26 and a balance in the treasury of $17.63, the sum of $100.00 having been given to the Baptist Young People's Union of America. Mr. Chambers also read the report of the Treasurer of the State Central Committee, Mr. H. H. Pettis, showing receipts of $47 and a balance of $30.90. Both of these reports were accepted.

"Fellowship" was the subject of President Wise's annual address. Rev. E. W. Potter of Jewett City gave voice

to his appreciation of the Christian Culture Courses, and Miss I. E. Brown of Wallingford spoke of the work among the Juniors, and called upon her Juniors who were present to sing a special song. The Junior Banner was presented to the Wallingford Union.

Rev. Tillman B. Johnson, Boston, gave an earnest and inspiring address upon "Twentieth Century Knighthood" to one of the largest and most representative gatherings of Baptist Young People ever held in Connecticut. On behalf of the Nominating Committee, Newton C. Smith expressed the appreciation felt at the five years of faithful and arduous service of President Wise and their regret at his unwillingness to serve longer in that capacity, and placed in nomination the following:

President — Rev. W. F. Rowley, Middletown.
First Vice-President — Rev. J. H. Messenger, Deep River.
Second Vice-President — Rev. C. B. Bolles, Danbury.
Secretary — George Hull, Bristol.
Treasurer — R. E. Chambers, New Haven.

State Central Committee.

Rev. A. E. Harris, Meriden,	Rev. H. E. Wise, Norwich,
Rev. O. W. Foye, Thompson,	Newton C. Smith, Waterbury.
T. T. Phillips, Bridgeport,	E. G. Hutchinson, Hartford,
H. H. Pettis, Norwich,	Rev. E. W. Potter, Jewett City

The report was accepted and the persons nominated were duly elected.

After singing and prayer the session adjourned.

At nine o'clock the next morning the Union assembled and were led in a devotional service by Rev. C. B. Bolles. Rev. O. W. Foye of Thompson gave an interesting report of the "All New England Convention" held in Boston in July last. He stated that this is to become an important factor in the work of our young people in New England. The value of the Christian Culture Courses was urged, stating that they are becoming more effective every year.

At 9.45 Convention adjourned to meet a year hence.

GEORGE HULL,
Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.

Cash on hand, October 18, 1904,	$22 25
Collection at Convention in Norwich,	17 01
Contributions from 25 Societies,	95 00
Contributions from 2 Individuals,	10 00
Total receipts,	$144 26

Disbursements.

Convention expenses in 1904,	$12 35
Subscription to National B. Y. P. U. debt,	100 00
All New England Conference, expenses,	4 50
Traveling expenses,	4 51
Clerical services,	1 50
Postage, stationery, etc.,	3 77
Balance, cash in bank,	17 63
Total disbursements,	$144 26

Respectfully submitted,

R. E. CHAMBERS,
Treasurer.

Examined and found to be correct.

NEWTON C. SMITH.

Connecticut Baptist Education Society.

President.
Rev. G. M. Stone, D.D., Hartford.

Vice-Presidents.
Rev. H. M. Thompson, Hartford, **W. J. Grippin,** Bridgeport.

Secretary.
Rev. G. W. Nicholson, Bridgeport.

Treasurer.
E. B. Boynton, Hartford.

Auditor.
Thomas Sisson, Hartford.

Trustees.

Rev. Harold Pattison, Hartford, **Rev. J. A. Elder,** New London,
Prof. R. K. Bearce, Suffield, **J. W. Lamb,** Hartford,
Rev. E. E. Gates, Noank.

TRUSTEES OF SUFFIELD ACADEMY.

Term Expires in 1906.

Rev. Geo. M. Stone, D.D., Hartford,
Rev. E. C. Sage, Ph.D., New Haven,
M. F. Newton, M.D., Suffield,
Rev. G. W. Rigler, D.D., Providence, R. I.,
Geo. P. Comer, Cleveland, O.,
Luther C. Glazier, Hartford,
F. W. Payne, Hartford,
Hon. R. P. Wilbur, Mystic,
Rev. J. S. Lyon, Holyoke, Mass.
Rev. W. H. P. Faunce, D.D., Providence, R. I.
Edward Miller, Sr., Meriden.

Term Expires in 1907.

Rev. R. A. Ashworth, Meriden,
Rev. T. Edwin Brown, D.D., New Britain,
Rev. G. H. Ferris, New Haven,
Rev. Henry Clarke, Bristol,
Rev. Oscar Haywood, D.D., Waterbury,
Alfred Spencer, Jr., Hartford,
Prof. Wm. I. Phelps, New Haven.
Pierce N. Welch, New Haven.
Wm. A. Kelsey, Meriden,
G. M. Montgomery, Windsor Locks.

Term Expires in 1908.

Rev. C. A. Piddock, Hartford,
Hon. Jas. L. Howard, Hartford,
M. H. Smith, Ph. D., Suffield,
Geo. F. Kendall, Suffield,
Chas. L. Spencer, Suffield,
Chas. C. Bissell, Suffield,
Rev. O. O. Fletcher, D.D., Chicopee Falls, Mass.
Rev. F. D. Elmer, Winsted,
M. M. Johnson, M.D., Hartford.
Rev. L. Requa, New York City,
Alfred Shipley, Waterbury,
Henry B. Russell, Suffield,
E. V. Preston, Hartford,
T. Henry Spencer, Holyoke, Mass.
Rev. F. G. McKeever, New London.

CHARTER.

Passed May, 1820.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened.* That Asahel Morse, Caleb Moore, Joseph B. Gilbert, John Bolles, Hezekiah Huntington, Elisha Cushman, Noadiah Woodruff, David King, Jesse Savage, Pierpont Brockett, David Bolles, Isaac Dwinnell, Eli Ball, George Mitchell, David Turner, Jeremiah Brown, Asahel Otis, Jonathan Goodwin, Jr., Orra Martin, Asa Talmadge Chauncey Wheeler, Thomas Wheeler, Elijah Filley and their associates, be, and they are hereby formed into, constituted, and made a body politic and corporate, by the name of "*The Connecticut Baptist Education Society*," and by that name they and their successors shall and may have perpetual succession, shall be capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, in all suits of whatever nature soever, may have a common seal, and the same alter or change at pleasure. And may also have, purchase, receive, hold, and convey away estate, real, personal, or mixed, the annual income of which shall not exceed three thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. The said Baptist Education Society may from time to time elect a president and such other officers and agents as they may find necessary or convenient; may elect and receive additional members; make by-laws respecting number, qualifications, and duties of their officers and members; prescribe the mode of election and admission of members; the time, place, and manner of holding their meetings; the number necessary to form a quorum; and all other by-laws and regulations which said society may deem necessary for the government and due regulation of its concerns to promote and secure the essential objects of said Society, as expressed in their Constitution — not repugnant to the laws of this State or of the United States.

SEC. 3. The first meeting of said Society shall be held at Hartford, on the first Wednesday of May, A. D. 1821.

SEC. 4. This act of incorporation, and every part thereof, may be altered, amended, or repealed at the pleasure of the General Assembly.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1. This Society shall be known by the name of "The Connecticut Baptist Education Society."

ART. 2. The object of this Society shall be to assist young men, who are called of God to preach the Gospel, in acquiring such mental discipline and culture as shall render them more useful in the kingdom of Christ.

ART. 3. This Society shall consist of such persons as pay into the treasury one dollar or more annually; also of delegates from churches and auxiliary societies, which shall be entitled to representation at the annual meeting as follows, viz.: Every church and auxiliary society contributing to the funds of the Society five dollars annually, shall be entitled to one delegate, and those contributing ten or more dollars, two delegates. The payment of fifteen dollars in advance shall constitute membership for life.

ART. 4. The officers of this Society shall consist of a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer, an Auditor, and five Trustees, to be chosen annually in any manner the Society may determine.

ART. 5. The Society shall also elect by ballot, at its annual meeting, Trustees of the Connecticut Literary Institution, as provided by the amended charter, and actively foster and advance our educational interests in this state.

ART. 6. The officers of this Society shall constitute an Executive Committee to manage the concerns of the Society during its recess, to control its funds and property, to examine and admit candidates to the benefits of the Society, and at every annual meeting of the Society, they shall make a faithful report of their doings the preceding year.

ART. 7. The Secretary shall keep a record of the beneficiaries, and record the acts of the Society and of the Executive Committee, draw all orders on the Treasurer authorized by said committee, conduct the correspondence, give notice of meetings, and prepare the annual report of the Executive Committee to the Society. The Treasurer shall have charge of the current funds of the Society, and pay them out only to the order of the Secretary; he shall also safely hold all bonds, notes, deeds, and other evidences of property belonging to the Society, giving ample security for these trusts. His accounts shall always be open to the inspection of the Executive Committee and Auditor, and he shall make a detailed report of the same quarterly to said committee, and annually to the Society. The Auditor shall examine annually, or oftener, the accounts and securities of the Treasurer, and certify the same.

ART. 8. The Executive Committee shall, annually, at its first quarterly meeting, appoint a Finance Committee of three of its own members, who shall negotiate and invest all legacies, bequests, and other permanent funds of the Society, unless otherwise provided by their donors, according to the laws of Connecticut concerning trust funds.

ART. 9. The annual meeting of the Society for the election of officers and transaction of other business shall be holden during the week and at the same place of each meeting of the Convention. Special meetings of the Society may be called by the President, at the request of five members of the Executive Committee. The business of the Society may be transacted at all regular meetings by a majority of the members present.

ART. 10. Every person admitted to the benefits of this Society must be a member of some regular Baptist church. He must produce a letter from said church, certifying his good standing, and its commendation of him as one called of God to the ministry. He must satisfy the Executive Committee that he possesses gifts promising usefulness in the work; and he shall, furthermore, be recommended to the patronage of the Society by at least three regularly ordained ministers of the Baptist denomination.

ART. 11. No person shall be aided by this Society unless he shall certify his intention to take a full course of study preparatory, collegiate, and theological, unless, in the opinion of the Executive Committee, his age and circumstances do not admit of such a course; and the institutions in which beneficiaries pursue their studies shall be subject to the approval of the Executive Committee; and, voluntarily failing to enter the ministry, or for sufficient cause being dropped from the list of beneficiaries, he shall refund the money, with interest, he has received from the Society.

ART. 12. The personal services of those who are appointed to manage the concerns of the Society shall be in all respects gratuitous.

ART. 13. No alteration shall be made in the foregoing Constitution except at an annual meeting of the Society, by a two-thirds vote of the members present, written notice of the proposed change having been given and recorded one year previous to its adoption.

N. B. — The amendment alluded to in Art. 5 is the amendment to the Charter of the Connecticut Literary Institution, approved July 9, 1862, which reads: "That the Board of Trustees shall consist of not less than twenty-one (21), nor more than thirty-three (33), members, to be chosen for three (3) years, one-third of the number annually, by the Connecticut Baptist Education Society."

Notice.—All persons sending money to the Connecticut Baptist Education Society, will please send direct to Mr. E. B. Boynton, 902 Main street, Hartford.

All communications to the Board, or applications for assistance, should be addressed to the Secretary, Rev. G. W. Nicholson, Bridgeport, Conn.

EIGHTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

Connecticut Baptist Education Society.

MERIDEN, October 18, 1905.

The Eighty-Sixth Annual Meeting of the Society was held in the Main Street Baptist Church, beginning at 10 A. M. In the absence of the President, Rev. G. M. Stone, D.D., the Rev. H. M. Thompson, First Vice-President, called the meeting to order. Prayer was offered by Rev. E. E. Loux of Bridgeport. The following letter from the President was read:

HARTFORD, CONN., October 16, 1905.

To the Members of the Connecticut Baptist Education Society:

DEAR BRETHREN: Although all signs now point to full recovery from my late serious illness, I have deemed it prudent to ask you to excuse me from participation in the present Annual meeting. In making another request you will permit me to express my sincere gratitude for the confidence you have repeatedly expressed in successive elections to the Presidency of the Society. I ask you now to relieve me from this honored position, and to nominate and elect another in my place. I am obliged, at this stage of my long pastorate, to drop several obligations to service and this one must be included in the number for reasons which I am sure would receive your approving judgment. With love and prayers for the future of the Society, and joy in your fellowship, I am,

Yours as ever,

GEORGE M. STONE.

The Annual Address was delivered by Rev. H. M. Thompson. The following committees were appointed:

On Nomination of Officers—Rev. T. Edwin Brown, D.D., Rev. J. W. Richardson and Rev. H. B. Hutchins.

On Nomination of Trustees for Suffield Academy—Rev. R. A. Ashworth, Rev. Henry Clarke, W. A. Kelsey.

On Enrollment—J. L. Denison, Rev. A. B. Todd, Rev. E. W. Potter, Rev. M. Stadtfeld.

The report of the Executive Committee was read by the Secretary, after which it was accepted and ordered printed in the minutes.

Treasurer E. B. Boynton, presented his report which was accepted and ordered printed in like manner. The Vice-President then introduced the following brethren who delivered short addresses in the interest of Suffield Academy—Hon. C. C. Bissell, Rev. R. Maplesden, and Prof. R. K. Bearce.

After the singing of a hymn the Annual Address was delivered by Professor J. M. English of Newton Theological Institution on the theme, "The Christian Minister's Personality." He treated the subject in hand under the following divisions, viz: (1) Orderly thinking; (2) Love for the beautiful; (3) Will-energy; (4) Harmonious Co-operation of all the powers.

The closest attention was given by the large audience and a deep impression was made.

An offering was made for the Society amounting to $30.00. The Committee on Nomination of Officers reported as follows:

President, Rev. G. M. Stone, D.D., Hartford.

First Vice-President, Rev. H. M. Thompson, Hartford.

Second Vice-President, W. J. Grippin, Bridgeport.

Secretary, Rev. G. W. Nicholson, Bridgeport.

Treasurer, E. B. Boynton, Hartford.

Auditor, Thomas Sisson, Hartford.

Trustees of the Education Society, Rev. Harold Pattison, Hartford; Rev. J. A. Elder, New London; Prof. R. K. Bearce, Suffield; J. W. Lamb, Hartford; and Rev. E. E. Gates, Noank.

The Secretary was ordered to cast one ballot for these nominees and, upon doing so, they were declared elected.

The Committee to Nominate Trustees for Suffield Academy presented the following nominees who were duly elected, Rev. T. Edwin Brown, D.D., casting the vote for the Society:

Rev. C. A. Piddock, Hartford, M. M. Johnson, M. D., Hartford, Hon. Jas. L. Howard, Hartford, Rev. Leonard Requa, New York City, M. H. Smith, Ph.D., Suffield, Alfred Shipley, Waterbury, G. F. Kendall, Suffield, Henry B. Russell, Suffield, Chas. L. Spencer, Suffield, E. V. Preston, Hartford, Chas. C. Bissell, Suffield, T. Henry Spencer, Holyoke, Mass., Rev. O. O. Fletcher, D.D., Chicopee Falls, Mass., Rev. F. G. McKeever, New London, Rev. F. D. Elmer, Winsted.

After singing and prayer the session was closed.

G. W. NICHOLSON, *Secretary*.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

BELOVED: — We are glad to meet you at another annual gathering of our Society and report causes for gratitude to God, because of His manifest favor in the large number of beneficiaries of the past year, and a prospective larger number for the coming year.

Our Board and our students remain intact, save Brother I. H. Benedict, who has finished his studies and is now pastor of the Iowa City Baptist Church, Iowa. Our beloved President, Rev. G. M. Stone, after a long and serious illness, is much improved in health but is scarcely yet able to resume his ministerial responsibilities. We are all hoping that he may be spared to us for many years of efficient service in the fields he so much loves.

None of our students have been laid aside from illness, but have kept at their work, and shown a faith, courage, and persistency that is highly commendable.

We have had fourteen young men under our care, and they seem to have realized the import of their call, and appreciated the aid given them by the Society.

They have been in the following institutions:

Brown University,	3
Rochester,	3
Suffield,	2
Hamilton,	1
Newton,	1
Chicago,	1
Morgan Park,	1
Crozer,	1
Jones' Institute, Bridgeport,	1
	14

Their reports indicate study, advancement, and consecration. As you may know, each student renders a quarterly statement of his attendance, receipts, and general average, which is supplemented by a certificate of his general standing from one of the professors.

During the summer vacation their employments were various. Colporteurs, preachers, farmers, clerks, etc. Some spent the entire season as acting pastors, thereby gaining valuable experience, and a practical acquaintance with men and things, besides being greatly refreshed in spirit and quickened in their spiritual life.

That you may judge for yourselves, I will read two extracts from letters received during the past month. Writes one: "During vacation I did missionary work which has broadened my experience, and the church has increased in faith, strength, and hope." Another: "I was invited to take charge of a small church, which I found divided, and in sore trouble. They have now buried their difficulties, and are working in harmony. We held special meetings and much good was done."

In addition to the thirteen now on our list, four more have applied for aid, making seventeen for the coming year. Of one of these Rev. D. W. Stoddard writes: "I have known the brother for some time; he preached for my people during my illness with great acceptance. He is an excellent and worthy young man and well deserving your recognition and aid, and with the necessary qualification for which he is so earnestly striving, I cannot but predict for him a successful ministry." The young man says of himself: "I have been at Mount Hermon about three years, and now desire to enter Brown University to thoroughly prepare myself for the Christian ministry."

Brethren, I fear many of our churches are not sufficiently awake to the great importance of the work of our Education Society, judging from the comparatively few who contribute to its support, and as a result our expenses are far in excess of our

regular receipts from the churches, and had it not have been for the few far sighted, benevolent men and women remembering us in their wills, we should today be burdened with a heavy debt.

The call is to you today. We have been praying the Lord to send laborers into His vineyard. He is answering the prayers, and the burden of their support in preparation is upon us. Shall we shrink?

We desire to revive the annual membership fee of one dollar, and trust we shall have a very generous response. We suggest to you the wisdom of broadening our field of operation, by giving opportunity of aid to our young ladies, who feel called to the work of the Lord as missionaries, and pastors' helpers, for which there is a growing demand. It is necessary that they be trained for that special work, and some of them need help that they may attend the training school.

Your Board take pleasure in calling special attention to Suffield Institute, and the excellent work being done there under the wise and judicious management of Prof. Bearce and his corps of teachers.

We also recommend a more general observance of the day of prayer for Colleges and other institutions of learning.

Brethren, the call from the churches, the mission fields, the Y. M. C. A., and other evangelistic enterprises is for men and women, trained, cultured, consecrated. The supply is not at all equal to the demand.

Pray the Lord of the harvest that He send laborers into His vineyard. Look among your young people, lead them to Christ and a prayerful consideration of their responsibility to God and the perishing.

By order of the Board,

G. W. NICHOLSON,
Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Hartford, Conn., October 18, 1905.

E. B. Boynton, Treasurer,

in account with

Connecticut Baptist Education Society.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand Oct. 19, 1904,	$2,375 98	
Contributions from churches and individuals,	721 28	
Interest,	72 67	
Bequest, George R. Willmot,	1,243 57	
Bequest, Levi A. Hall,	9,700 00	
		$14,113 50

EXPENDITURES.

Appropriations,	$1,393 75	
Expenses, etc.,	44 23	
Investments in Savings Banks,	10,198 03	
Balance on hand (Phoenix Bank),	2,477 49	
		$14,113 50

STATEMENT.

Investment, Society for Savings, Hartford,	$1,473 06	
" Mechanics Savings Bank, "	1,635 34	
" Mechanics Savings Bank, "	1,697 62	
" Savings Bank of Tolland,	1,986 62	
" Norwich Savings Society,	1,102 85	
" New Haven Savings Bank,	397 72	
" Chelsea Savings Bank of Norwich,	841 94	
" Dime Savings Bank of Norwich,	887 81	
" State Savings Bank, Hartford,	1,675 07	
Balance on hand (Phoenix Bank),	2,477 49	
Total resources,		$14,175 52

E. B. Boynton, Treasurer,

in account with

Connecticut Baptist Education Society.

Receipts.

1904.		
Oct. 19.	Balance forward, ...	$2,375 98
	Receipts, Norwich Convention, .	16 39
Oct. 30.	Bible School of the Stratfield Baptist Church, ...	4 90
	Bozrah Baptist Church, . . .	5 72
Nov. 1.	Second Baptist Church, Danbury, .	5 00
Nov. 3.	South Baptist, Church, Hartford, .	24 00
Nov. 5.	Asylum Avenue Baptist Church, "	68 39
Nov. 11.	Immanuel Baptist Church, Bridgeport, ...	1 00
Nov. 17.	Packerville Baptist Church, . .	5 00
Nov. 22.	Calvary Baptist Church, New Haven, ...	59 68
Nov. 23.	Memorial Baptist Church, Hartford,	5 00
Dec. 5.	First Baptist Church, Wallingford,	43 15
Dec. 8.	Brooklyn Baptist Church, Brooklyn,	6 25
Dec. 15.	First Baptist Church, Hartford, .	48 00
Jan. 4, '05	First Baptist Church, Winsted, .	1 23
Jan. 6.	First Baptist Church, Stamford, .	14 57
Jan. 13.	First Baptist Church, Willimantic,	5 56
Jan. 20.	Olivet Baptist Church, New Haven,	6 10
Jan. 31.	Bequest, Geo. R. Willmot, Meriden,	1,243 57
Feb. 10.	South Baptist Church Benevolent Fund, Hartford, ...	22 00
Feb. 27.	Second Baptist Church, Bridgeport,	14 27
Mar. 4.	Montville Union Baptist Church, Montville, ...	5 00
Mar. 7.	First Baptist Church, New Britain,	8 97
Mar. 22.	Deep River Baptist Church, Deep River, ...	12 40
Mar. 28.	First Baptist Church, Waterbury, .	20 55
Mar. 30.	Memorial Baptist Church, Hartford,	5 80
Apr. 17.	First Baptist Church, Bridgeport, .	56 00
May 1.	Grand Avenue Baptist Church, New Haven, ...	6 75

May 15.	South Baptist Church Benevolent Fund, Hartford, ...	20 00
June 5.	First Baptist Church, Essex, . .	14 45
June 5.	First Baptist Church, Stamford, .	11 63
June 15.	Central Thompson Baptist Church, Thompson, ...	13 75
July 24.	Rockville Baptist Church, Rockville,	4 00
July 24.	Memorial Baptist Church, Hartford,	4 00
July 26.	First Baptist Church, Hartford, .	42 00
Aug. 3.	South Baptist Church, Hartford, .	18 00
July 31.	Bequest, Levi A. Hall Estate, ($10,000. $300 State Tax) . . .	9,700 00
Aug. 3.	South Baptist Church, Hartford, .	18 00
Aug. 5.	First Baptist Church, Meriden, .	34 50
Aug. 26.	Winsted Baptist Church, Winsted,	1 94
Sept. 4.	North Lyme Baptist Church, North Lyme, ...	3 50
Sept. 18.	Deep River Baptist Church, Deep River, ...	10 50
	Warrenville Baptist Church, Warrenville, ...	2 00
Sept. 19.	Bozrah Baptist Church, . . .	3 18
Sept. 20.	First Baptist Church, New Britain,	30 74
Sept. 21.	First Baptist Church, Old Lyme, .	2 00
Oct. 2.	Calvary Baptist Church, Torrington, ...	2 25
Oct. 4.	Central Baptist Church, Norwich, .	25 00
	Interest, Mechanics Savings Bank,	30 09
	Interest, Society for Savings, .	42 58
	Cash, "A Friend," . . .	6 00
		$ 14,113 50

Expenditures.

1904		
Oct. 29.	Appropriation No. 1308, Dr. Hall,	$25 00
	" 1309, E. C. Sage,	11 00
	Postage and Expenses,	
	Appropriation No. 1310, I. H. Benedict,	31 25
	" 1311, B. C. Bugbee,	25 00
	" 1312, A. H. Boutwell,	25 00
	" 1313, R. H. Kohler,	25 00
	" 1314, R. B. Longwell,	31 25
	" 1315, C. R. Smith,	25 00
	" 1316, A. H. Stanton,	31 25

	Appropriation No. 1317, R. H. Tibbals,	31	25
	" 1318, C. F. Thelin,	25	00
Jan. 10.	Appropriation G. W. Nicholson, Printing and for balance due on Newitz.	8	83
	Appropriation E. B. Boynton, Balance due on advance to Newitz.	20	00
	Appropriation No. 1319, R. H. Tibbals,	31	25
Jan. 11,	" 1320, A. H. Boutwell,	25	00
	" 1321, C. R. Smith,	25	00
	" 1322, B. C. Bugbee,	25	00
	" 1323, I. H. Benedict,	31	25
	" 1324, A. H. Stanton,	31	25
	" 1325, R. B. Longwell,	31	25
	" 1326, C. F. Thelin,	25	00
	" 1327, R. W. Kohler,	25	00
	" 1329, A. H. Newitz,	25	00
	" 1330, C. R. Chappell,	25	00
	" 1331, A. C. Hanna,	25	00
Feb. 27.	Investment, Society for Savings,	500	00
	Investment, Mechanics Savings Bank,	1,000	00
Apr. 6.	Appropriation No. 1332, I. H. Benedict,	31	25
	" 1333, B. C. Bugbee,	25	00
	" 1334, A. H. Boutwell,	25	00
	" 1335, R. H. Kohler,	25	00
	" 1336, R. B. Longwell,	31	25
	" 1337, C. R. Smith,	25	00
	" 1338, A. H. Stanton,	31	25
	" 1339, R. H. Tibbals,	31	25
	" 1340, C. F. Thelin,	25	00
	" 1341, C. R. Chappell,	25	00
	" 1342, A. C. Hanna,	25	00
	" 1344, C. F. Fields,	31	25
	" 1345, C. F. Fields,	31	25
	" 1346, A. H. Newitz,	25	00
Apr. 10.	" 1343, G. L. Cook,	25	00
July 5.	" 1347, I. H. Benedict,	31	25
	" 1348, B. C. Bugbee,	25	00
	" 1349, A. H. Boutwell,	25	00
	" 1350, R. H. Kohler,	25	00
	" 1351, R. B. Longwell,	31	25
	" 1352, C. R. Smith,	25	00
	" 1353, A. H. Stanton,	31	25
	" 1354, R. H. Tibbals,	31	25
	" 1355, C. F. Thelin,	25	00
	" 1356, A. C. Hanna,	25	00

	Appropriation No. 1357, Geo. L. Cook,		25 00
	" 1358, A. H. Newitz,		25 00
	" 1359, C. R. Chappell,		25 00
July 27.	" 1360. Chas. F. Fields,		31 25
July 31.	Investment, Savings Bank of Tolland,	1,986 62	
	Investment, Norwich Savings Society,	1,102 85	
	Investment, Mechanics Savings Bank, Hartford,	1,697 62	
	Investment, New Haven Savings Bank,	397 72	
	Investment, Chelsea Savings Bank of Norwich,	841 94	
	Investment, Dime Savings Bank of Norwich,	887 81	
	Investment, State Savings Bank, Hartford,	1,675 07	
Oct. 2.	Rebinding Treasurer's Record Book,	1 50	
	Postage and expense of Treasurer,	2 90	
Oct. 4.	Interest applied to date, Mechanics Savings Bank,	35 34	
	Interest applied to date, Society for Savings,	73 06	
Oct. 16.	Balance on hand (Phoenix Bank)	2,477 49	
			$ 14,113 50

Hartford, Oct. 17, 1905.

I have examined the foregoing statement of account, have found voucher for all disbursements, and full evidence for deposits in Banks as stated.

THOMAS SISSON,
Auditor.

LIFE MEMBERS

OF THE

Connecticut Baptist Education Society

BY THE PAYMENT OF FIFTEEN DOLLARS AND UPWARDS.

Adams, Rev. R. J.
Allen, William D.
Atwood, Elnathan
Ambler, Annie M.
Ambler, James L.
Andrews, Andrew
Andrews, Isaac
Asby, Edward
Bartlett, Matthew J.
Bates, James N.
Beach, Theodore B.
Beaumont, J.
Beers, George S.
Birdsey, Linus
Birdsey, R. C.
Bond, Rev. J. E.
Broomley, Isaac H.
Bronson, Frank S.
Brotherton, Cyrus C.
Brown, Rev. J. P.
Brown, L. R.
Butrick, Rev. W. H.
Campbell, Miss Mary
Canfield, Charles
Chandler, George P.
Chapman, Silas, Jr.
Chase, Rev. J. N.
Clark, Mrs. Jane A.
Clark, William B.
Condell, A. H.
Corbin, F. E.
Cordo, Rev. H. A.
Crandall, Billings F. S.
Crandall, Mrs. Mary S.
Crane, Rev. C. B.
Crocker, Dea. Leonard
Crocker, Orsamus
Crofut, Henry
Curtis, William A.
Cutler, William D.
Dean, Rev. Wilfred
Denison, John L.
Ellwood, Helen
Elmer, Rev. F. D.
Evans, Rev. P. S.
Ewing, W. A.
Fennell, Rev. W. G.
Filon, R. A.
Fitch, Dr. J. C.
Fitch, Mrs. J. C.
French, David
Fry, Mrs. John
Gardner, Rev. Geo. H.
Garton, Rev. J. V.
Gates, Dea. Horace S.
Gowen, Rev. L. D.
Gager, Charles E.
Green, Jay
Gridley, Joel A.
Griffin, C. A.
Hamlin, E. C.
Hart, Daniel H.
Hayes, J. W.
Herr, Mrs. J. D.
Hiscox, Rev. E. T.
Holbrook, Rev. C. F.
Howard, James L.
Hurlbut, J. W.
Hyatt Mary A.
Irish, Mrs. Sarah P.
Ives, John
Ives, Rev. Sumner A.
Ives, N. P.
Ives, Mrs. Wealthy S.
James, Rev. J. S.
Johnson, Rev. Cyrus A.
Judd, W. S.
Kelly, J. V. D.
Keyes, William
Kneeland, Rev. F. W.
Kneeland, Mrs. F. W.
Lathrop, Rev. Edward
Ludlow, Elizabeth
Ludlow, Mary
Marvin, George
Mason, Rev. A. F.
McCarthy, Rev. William
McKinney, Rev. W. D.
Merriam, J. B.
Miller, Edward
Miller, Benjamin L.
Montgomery, William
Morse, Rev. B. S.
Morse, H. J.
Mosley, E. W.
Munyan, Chester G.
Morris, D. E.
Neale, Stephen Douglas
Newcomb, James.
Nicholson, Rev. Geo. W.
Nordell, Spaulding
Ostrander, Mrs. Sarah J.
Parker, S. A.
Payne, Rev. J. W.
Pearson, Lucius T.
Perkins, William
Perkins, R. B.
Phelps, Rev. Dryden W.
Phelps, Rev. Arthur S.
Phelps, William L.
Phelps, Dryden Linsley
Pickett, Dea. William
Plant, Alfred
Plant, William
Poteat, Rev. E. M.
Potter, Rev. L. L.
Post, Julius P.
Pratt, Horace H.
Preston, Edward V.
Preston, S. T.
Prior, Chas. Edward
Prowitt, Charles S.
Prowitt, J. T.
Ray, Rev. C. W.
Reid, Mrs. Williams
Reynolds, G. L.
Richardson, Rev. J. W.
Robbins, William H.
Robinson, S. A.
Robinson, Elizabeth
Sage, Rev. E. C., Ph.D.
Saunders, H. H.
Setchell, Charles F.
Sexton, George
Shelly, Russell T.
Sherwood, Mrs. T.
Shipley, Dea. A. J.
Sibley, I. S.
Silliman, Dea. Ezra
Sisson, Thomas
Slate, Daniel L.
Slater, Rev. F. A.
Sloper, A. J.
Smith, M. H.
Smith, Rev. Leonard
Spencer, Carnot O.
Spencer, Dea. J.
Starkweather, Mrs. H. E.
Southworth, Levi B.
Stevens, W. B.
Stevens, Dr. B. H.
Steward, Mrs. Matilda
Stidham, Rev. I. F., Ph.D.
Stone, Rev. G. M., D.D.
Strickland, James L.
Stubbert, Mrs. Emma S.
Sullivan, W. H.
Taylor, Rev. J. A.
Terrell, Edward
Thompson, Rev. H. M.
Thompson, Mrs. H. M.
Thompson, A. M.
Thompson, D. W.
Tuller, G. W.
Turner, Peter C.
Turner, Mrs. Peter C.
Turner, Rev. R. E.
Twiss, Waldo C.
Vaun, Samuel A.
Walker, W. F.
Wallace, James A.
Ward, N.
Weller, Samuel
West, L. M.
West, Rev. W. Ward
White, Abijah
White, Mrs. Abigail
White, J. W.
Whitford, H. G.
Wightman, J. E.
Wichtman, Rev. P. G.
Wilbur, R. P.
Wilcox, E. H.
Williams, Hon. D. J.
Williams, James A.
Wilson, Rev. Cable
Wilson, Rev. C. B.

APPLICATION FOR AID.

When a young man applies for aid he is required to present a letter from his church, in substance, as follows:

This certifies that Mr. is a regular member of the Baptist church in this town; that he sustains a good moral and religious character; that in the judgment of this church he is called by the Lord to the Christian ministry; and that he possesses talents which, with a good education, would render him useful in his sacred work. He is, therefore, recommended to the Connecticut Baptist Education Society for their patronage.

Signed by order and in behalf of the Baptist church in

Clerk. Pastor.

This certificate must be endorsed by three regularly ordained ministers of the Baptist denomination, in addition to the signatures of the clerk and pastor of the church of which the applicant is a member.

BAPTIST STATISTICS FOR THE UNITED STATES.

Churches, 45,927; Baptisms, 240,936; Total membership, 4,269,063; Contributions, $2,983,815; Church expenses $13,839, 773.

Theological Schools, 10; Students, 1,148; Property and Endowment, $4,798,115.

Universities and Colleges, 95; Students, 28,403; Property and Endowment, $41,266,116.

Academies and Seminaries, 103; Students 16,241; Property and Endowment, $6,279,394.

Value of the church property, $101,476,882. Total value of property owned and controlled by the Baptists of the United States for religious and educational purposes, $153,820,507.

Note. All of the foregoing statistics are for the year 1904.

WHERE TO SEND MONEY FOR MISSIONS.

State Missions, . .	Mr. W. F. Walker, New Britain, Conn.
Foreign Missions, . .	Mr. Chas. W. Perkins, Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass.
Woman's Foreign Missions,	Miss Alice E. Stedman, Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass.
Home Missions, . .	Rev. F. T. Hazlewood, D.D., Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass.
Woman's Home Missions,	Miss Gertrude L. Davis, Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass.
Publication Society, .	Rev. Chas. H. Spalding, 256 Washington Street, Boston, Mass.
Baptist Ministers' Home,	Rev. M. H. Pogson, D.D., West Farms, New York, N. Y.
Connecticut Baptist Education Society, . . .	Mr. E. B. Boynton, Hartford, Conn., 902 Main Street.
Connecticut Literary Institute,	Mr. T. Henry Spencer, Holyoke, Mass.